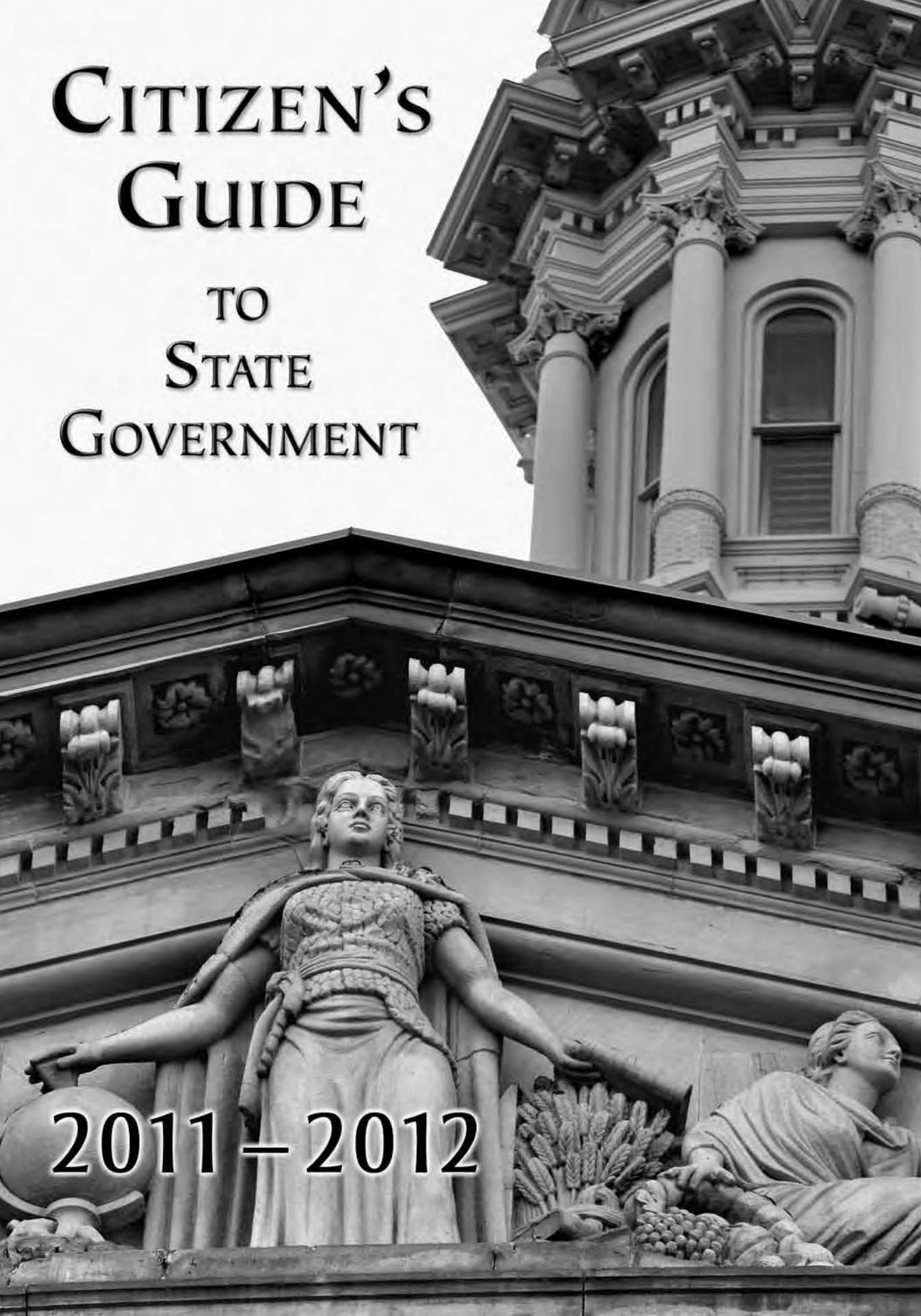


CITIZEN'S GUIDE

TO
STATE
GOVERNMENT

2011 – 2012



Dear Citizen:

It is of primary importance that the general public increase its participation in the decision-making process. In order to actuate this input, the citizen must acquire an understanding of the legislative structure and process and then organize concerted efforts to effectively demand representation.

Individuals can have an impact on specific legislative proposals, provided it is made at the appropriate time. Organized community and citizens' groups can multiply the impact of that individual effort.

Organizing citizens' groups to deal with specific community problems is extremely important. Such groups provide a focal point from which citizens can participate in the decision-making process and influence legislation.

The intent of this CITIZEN'S GUIDE is to provide some of the specific information needed to get in touch with the RIGHT PEOPLE AT THE RIGHT TIME to make your concerns heard. It is hoped that it will be a reference tool that will assist you in your efforts to be heard by public officials.

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The central figure depicted represents Michigan and appears in the relief sculpture of the Capitol building's pediment.

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

“An informed and active citizenry is the lifeblood of a democracy.”

It is important in a democracy that citizens help keep their legislators informed. In order to be true representatives of the people, legislators need to know the thinking of their constituents on those issues upon which decisions will be made, and the facts on which such thinking and conclusions are based. As a citizen, *you* can help insure good legislation on state and national levels by communicating with your elected representatives at the proper time.

Too many people never have any contact with those who represent them in government—whose vote may decide what price they will pay for the acts of government, sometimes in terms of dollars, or in changes in standards of living, or in regulatory inconveniences.

Is There a Bill or an Issue of Particular Concern to You? Organize!

Forming a group to lobby for or against legislation is often more effective than individual efforts. A group is far more visible, has greater resources, and carries more political weight.

Organize a group of friends, co-workers, or neighbors around a specific issue of concern to all of you. Define your goals . . . identify tasks that are part of the plan . . . divide the work. (For instance, one person can research available material, another can keep track of the bill, several can attend all committee meetings, several can personally meet with the legislator, etc.) . . . **KEEP INFORMED.**

It is best for the group to meet informally or socially with legislators even before the group has specific legislative requests to make. Professional lobbyists specifically suggest this kind of personalized, informal contact. Friendly, personal acquaintance, and help at campaign time, form a strong basis for personal, or group, lobbying efforts.

Learn how the system works . . . find out how a bill becomes a law . . . learn the committee structure . . . find out which legislators are dealing with your area of concern . . . find out when and how to lobby. **ALL THIS INFORMATION IS TO BE FOUND IN THIS GUIDE.**

If you are interested in becoming actively involved in influencing legislation, here are some important points that will make your lobbying efforts more effective:

Personal Contacts

Personal contacts can be a meaningful way to influence a legislator.

1. Before contacting any legislators, take the time to read all available background material on the bill or issue which concerns you. Although it is obviously beneficial for you to know a great deal about the specifics of bills and issues, it is not essential that you know everything. The primary goal of your visit is to express your concern over a particular bill or issue.
2. Know when and where to contact a legislator. The best times to find a legislator in the office in Lansing are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. (House sessions are normally held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 12:00 noon, while Senate sessions normally begin at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.)

It is usually possible, when the House and Senate are in session, to send in a message to legislators informing them that you wish to speak with them. Check from the visitors balconies on the third floor (using the seating charts in this book) to see if the legislator you wish to meet with is in the chamber. The sergeant-at-arms on the second floor in front of each chamber will send your message to the Representative or Senator. It is generally, but *not always*, possible for a legislator to come out to meet briefly with you.

Occasionally, legislators will be able to see you if you simply walk into their office, but the best approach is to call ahead and make an appointment. Let the legislator know what you wish to discuss. If you cannot get an appointment, or if the matter is too urgent to wait for an appointment, do not hesitate to go to the office anyway. You may at least be able to talk to staff, and you will have made them aware of your concern.

Calling your own legislator at home on the weekend sometimes makes sense on an issue of great importance or urgency. *Don't abuse* this method of contact.

3. If you have genuine expert knowledge, share it with the legislator. It will be welcomed. No legislator can be an expert on everything. (All views are important, but expertise is especially valued. Remember, any lobbyist's most useful role for a legislator is as a source of information.) If you have read the bill carefully and/or understand the issues involved as a result of personal knowledge or research, you may be of great assistance to the legislator.
4. Be constructive. If a bill deals with a problem you admit exists, but you believe the bill is the wrong approach, explain what you believe is the right approach. If you want to suggest amendments to a bill that has been introduced, it is important that you have: a) a clear idea of what you want to be included or deleted; b) the reasons to justify the proposed change; and c) good, strong facts to back up your position before you contact your legislator. If possible, leave copies of your position and/or suggested changes with the legislator.
5. It is usually a waste of time (for both of you) to lobby legislators who are already supporting your position, although they may be helpful in making suggestions for your lobbying efforts.
6. You do not need a crowd to lobby. One, or possibly two, well-informed lobbyists on the same subject are more effective and less confusing than a large group gathered at the same time.
7. When you introduce yourself, save time by making it clear who you are and what organization, if any, you are working with. If you are cooperating with some group from the legislator's home district, mention it and the fact that the home district group may also be trying to reach the legislator.
8. Do not "overkill." Most legislators have many demands on their time. An elaborate sales job or long, emotional speech will not be appreciated. They do, however, want your well-prepared facts and views, presented in a straightforward manner. Make sure their time is well spent in talking to you. Stick to the issues that you came to discuss; don't wander into other issues.
9. It is easy, particularly when dealing with legislators who disagree with you, to become angry and frustrated. If you disagree, a calm, reasonable attitude and a set of well-prepared reasons for your position may change their minds on the issue. It is generally advisable not to get into arguments which may trigger prejudices. Remember, you may not have all the facts on an issue or bill.

Let legislators explain their views—listen without interrupting—they often have input from many resources to which you may not have access, such as fiscal agencies, state departments, other groups with expertise on the issue, and legislation from other states.

Take a few notes about their comments, noting any questions they have. Give the answers you know, and offer to get answers to the other questions, if possible. Understanding their views of the facts and where they come from will help your organization develop counterarguments.

10. Don't demand a commitment before the facts are in. Give your legislator a fair chance to examine all sides of an issue.

The legislative process is very complex, and bills change their shape in committee and on the floor of both houses of the Legislature. A bill rarely becomes law in the same form as introduced. It is possible that the bill you supported originally is so changed in the process that you would oppose its final form.

A legislator may be forced to vote on the bill as a whole, weighing the good with the bad and the needs of all constituents and/or the state as a whole, rather than those of a particular group or individual.

Letter Writing and E-Mail

A personal letter or message via e-mail or the Internet may be the most effective way of contacting your legislator, whether in Lansing or Washington. Consult the Congressional (p. 4), House (p. 31), and Senate (p. 53) directories in this guide to find the addresses of Michigan legislators. Many offices prefer e-mail.

If you're new at this type of letter writing, here are some suggestions on how your letters can be most effective:

1. **ADDRESS IT PROPERLY:** Know your legislator's full name and correct spelling. For specific addresses, see individual lists. Examples:

U.S. SENATOR
The Honorable (full name)
United States Senator
Address

Dear Senator (last name):

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
The Honorable (full name)
United States Representative
Address

Dear Congressman/woman (last name):

STATE SENATOR
The Honorable (full name)
State Senator
State Capitol
P.O. Box 30036
Lansing, MI 48909-7536

Dear Senator (last name):

STATE REPRESENTATIVE
The Honorable (full name)
State Representative
State Capitol
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Dear Representative (last name):

2. ALWAYS INCLUDE YOUR LAST NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE LETTER OR E-MAIL. A letter cannot be answered if there is no return address and this shows you are a constituent.
3. USE YOUR OWN WORDS. Avoid form letters and petitions. They tend to be identified as organized pressure campaigns and are often answered with form replies. However, a petition *does* let the legislator know that the issue is of concern to a large number of people (addresses with zip codes should be given for each signature). One thoughtful, factual, and well-reasoned letter carries more weight than 100 form letters or printed postcards.
4. TIME THE ARRIVAL OF YOUR LETTER OR E-MAIL. Try to write to your legislator, and the chairperson of the committee dealing with a bill, while a bill is still in committee and there is still time to take effective action. Sometimes a bill is out of committee, or has been passed, before a helpful, informative letter arrives which *could* have made a difference in the way the bill was written or in the final decision.
5. KNOW WHAT YOU ARE WRITING ABOUT. Identify the bill or issue of concern to you. Thousands of bills and resolutions are introduced in each session. If you write about a bill, try to give the bill number or describe it by popular title, such as “the Whistleblower’s Act,” or “the School Code.”
6. BE REASONABLY BRIEF. Many issues are complex, but a single page, presenting your opinions, facts, arguments, or proposals as clearly as possible, is preferred and welcomed by most legislators.
7. GIVE REASONS FOR YOUR POSITION. Explain how the issue would affect you, your family, business, or profession—or the effect on your community or our state. If you have specialized knowledge, SHARE IT WITH YOUR LEGISLATOR. Concrete, expert arguments for or against the bill can be used by the legislator in determining the final outcome of a bill.
8. BE CONSTRUCTIVE. If a bill deals with a problem you admit exists, but you believe the bill is the wrong approach, explain what you believe to be the right approach.
9. GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS SHOULD DETERMINE THEIR PRIORITY CONCERNS and contact the legislator on those *specific* issues rather than on *every* issue. The “pen pal” who writes every few days on every conceivable subject tends to become a nuisance, rather than an effective voice of concern.
10. YOU MAY NOT ALWAYS RECEIVE A LONG, DETAILED RESPONSE. Legislators are very busy and usually cannot respond with long, personal replies to each correspondent.
11. WRITE TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION when you feel a legislator has done a good job. Legislators are human too and seldom receive “thank you” letters of encouragement.

Remember, on any one issue, even a few letters or e-mails to one legislator can have an important impact. Sometimes just one letter or e-mail, with a new perspective, or with clear-cut, persuasive arguments can be the decisive factor in a legislator’s action.

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If you decide you want to be further involved in the future of a particular bill, KEEP TRACK OF THE BILL. Consider testifying on it before a committee. There may also be a public hearing on it in your area.

Information on testifying is included in the section on “Committees.”

INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIALS REPRESENTING YOU IN WASHINGTON, DC

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

(4-year term) Term Ends: 1-20-2013
BARACK OBAMA (D-Illinois)
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

(4-year term) Term Ends: 1-20-2013
JOE BIDEN (D-Delaware)
17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Contacting the White House:

The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20500
Comments (202) 456-1111 • Switchboard (202) 456-1414 • Fax (202) 456-2461
TTY/TDD Comments (202) 456-6213 • TTY/TDD Visitors Office (202) 456-2121 • comments@whitehouse.gov

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(2-year term, all expire on 1-1-2013)
(6 Democrats and 9 Republicans)



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	Fax (231) 929-4776

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 (202) 225-2261 Fax (202) 225-5730



DISTRICT OFFICE:

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	Fax (313) 962-7710

JOHN CONYERS, JR. (D–Detroit, District 14)
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669 Federal Building, 231 W. Lafayette Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226	(313) 961-5670
	Fax (313) 226-2085
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	Fax (734) 675-4218



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	Fax (231) 775-0298
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	Fax (616) 395-0271
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	Fax (231) 722-0176



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	Fax (810) 239-1439
515 N. Washington Avenue, Suite 401, Saginaw, MI 48607	(989) 755-8904
	Fax (989) 755-8908
916 Washington Avenue, Suite 205, Bay City, MI 48708	(989) 891-0990
	Fax (989) 891-0994

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 (202) 225-4961 Toll-Free (888) 810-3880 Fax (202) 226-1033



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DISTRICT OFFICES:

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 Fax (734) 632-0373

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(248) 685-9495
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DISTRICT OFFICE:

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 Fax (586) 997-5013



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515 N. Washington Avenue, Suite 402, Saginaw, MI 48607	(989) 754-2494 Fax (989) 754-2920
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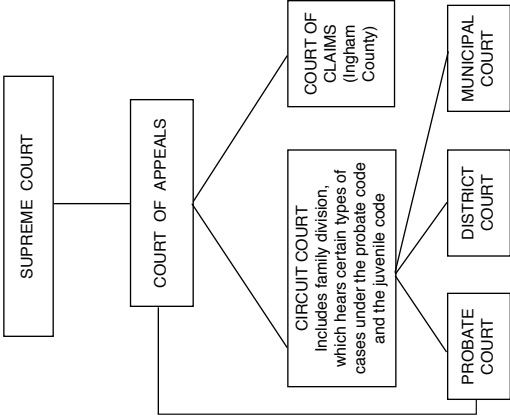
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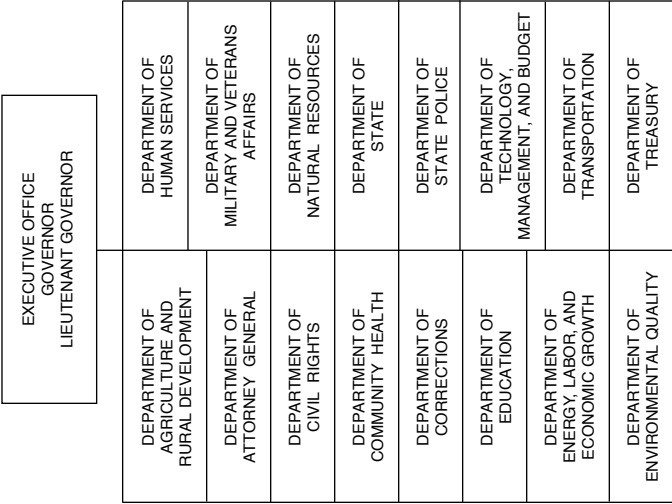
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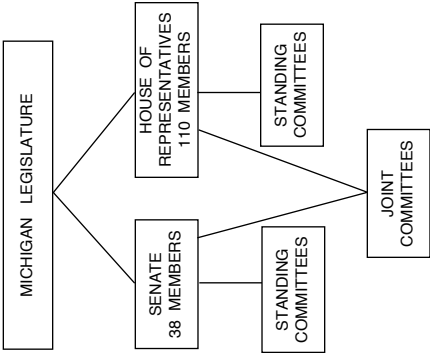
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EXECUTIVE BRANCH



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH



INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIALS REPRESENTING YOU AT THE STATE LEVEL

In addition to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Michigan's voters elect two other executive branch officials statewide—the Secretary of State and Attorney General. While candidates for the Office of Governor are chosen in the August primary election, candidates for the others are nominated at the regular party conventions. All of these officials are elected concurrently to four-year terms in the even-numbered year between presidential elections (voters cast one vote jointly for Governor and Lieutenant Governor). An amendment to the Constitution adopted by the voters in 1992 limits these elected executives to two terms (eight years). This limitation applies to terms of office beginning on or after January 1, 1993.



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Term Ends: 1-1-2015
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(R—Portland)
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State Capitol
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Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 373-6800



SECRETARY OF STATE

RUTH JOHNSON
(R—Holly)
Term Ends: 1-1-2015
Treasury Building
P.O. Box 30045
Lansing, MI 48918
(517) 373-2510

ATTORNEY GENERAL

BILL SCHUETTE
(R—Midland)
Term Ends: 1-1-2015
G. Mennen Williams
State Office Building
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Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 373-1110



STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

P.O. Box 30008
Lansing, MI 48909

The 8 members of the Michigan State Board of Education are elected at-large on the partisan statewide ballot for 8-year terms, with 2 members elected every 2 years in the general election.

JOHN C. AUSTIN (D—Ann Arbor), Term Ends: 1-1-2017
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MARIANNE YARED McGUIRE (D—Detroit), Term Ends: 1-1-2013
KATHLEEN N. STRAUS (D—Detroit), Term Ends: 1-1-2017
CASANDRA E. ULBRICH (D—Rochester Hills), Term Ends: 1-1-2015
DANIEL VARNER (D—Detroit), Term Ends: 1-1-2015
EILEEN LAPPIN WEISER (R—Ann Arbor), Term Ends: 1-1-2019
RICHARD ZEILE (R—Detroit), Term Ends: 1-1-2019

THE MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court is the highest court in the state, hearing cases appealed to it from the Court of Appeals. In addition to its judicial duties, the Supreme Court is responsible for the general administrative supervision of all courts in the state. The Supreme Court also establishes rules for practice and procedure in all courts.

The Supreme Court consists of seven justices: the Chief Justice and six Associate Justices. The justices are elected to serve eight-year terms. Every two years one justice is selected by the court as chief justice. Although justices are nominated by political parties, they are elected on a nonpartisan ballot. A candidate for the Supreme Court must be a qualified elector, licensed to practice law in Michigan, and at the time of election must be less than 70 years of age.



ROBERT P. YOUNG, JR.
(Detroit)
Chief Justice
Term Ends: 1-1-2019



MARILYN KELLY
(Bloomfield Hills)
Term Ends: 1-1-2013



STEPHEN J. MARKMAN
(Mason)
Term Ends: 1-1-2013



BRIAN K. ZAHRA
(Northville Township)
Term Ends: 1-1-2013



MICHAEL F. CAVANAGH
(East Lansing)
Term Ends: 1-1-2015



DIANE HATHAWAY
(Grosse Pointe Park)
Term Ends: 1-1-2017



MARY BETH KELLY
(Grosse Ile)
Term Ends: 1-1-2019



YOUR MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE

Michigan's Legislature is a sovereign and independent branch of state government vested with the power to enact laws by which the actions of the government and the people are regulated and protected.



The first Michigan Legislature, consisting of 16 Senators and 50 Representatives, met in the first Capitol in Detroit, which served as our state's capital city until 1847, when it was moved permanently to Lansing. Today's Legislature consists of 148 members, 110 State Representatives and 38 Senators, sent to Lansing by the voters of their separate districts. These men and women share an important trust and responsibility as expressed by one of the fundamental provisions of the Michigan Constitution of 1963:

The public health and general welfare of the people of the state are hereby declared to be matters of primary public concern. The Legislature shall pass suitable laws for the protection and promotion of the public health.

The direct link between the people and their legislators is reflected in the declaration at the head of every law, which reads:

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

The Michigan Legislature convenes in annual session at noon on the second Wednesday in January of each year. Each session continues until the members agree to adjourn sine die (without day), subject to interim recesses. Special sessions of the Legislature may be called by the Governor but are limited to the consideration of subjects the Governor places before the Legislature.

The Legislature is apportioned every ten years after the official total population count of each federal census so that each representative and senatorial district has as nearly equal population as possible. Based on the 2000 census, each of the 110 State Representative districts has approximately 90,000 residents and each Senate district 262,000 residents.

Except for certain criminal convictions, any person 21 years of age who is a United States citizen and a registered voter in the district to be represented can be elected to either house of the Legislature. However, a legislator can hold no other public office except notary public. In addition, an amendment to the Constitution adopted by the voters limits State Representatives to three terms (six years) in the House of Representatives and State Senators to two terms (eight years) in the Michigan Senate.

The present Capitol was formally opened on January 1, 1879. This magnificent structure, which was rededicated on November 19, 1992, has been restored to the splendor of its original condition. The Legislature consists of two chambers. The Senate Chamber is located in the south wing of the second floor and the House Chamber is in the north wing of the second floor. The floors of the chambers are not open to the public during legislative sessions, but visitors are welcome to view the sessions from the balconies overlooking the chambers which are located on the third floor.

Both chambers are equipped with a public address system and an electronic voting system to record votes.

The presiding officer of the House is called the Speaker (elected from, and a member of, the House of Representatives). The Speaker Pro Tempore and Assistant Speaker Pro Tempore, who are also elected from and by House members, preside when the Speaker is absent or wishes to participate in debate. The Constitution provides that the Lieutenant Governor shall be the President of the Senate, but shall not have a vote unless the votes are equally divided. The Senate elects a President Pro Tempore, an Assistant President Pro Tempore, an Associate President Pro Tempore, and an Assistant Associate President Pro Tempore from its membership.

The House sessions are normally held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. and Thursdays at 12:00 noon. Senate sessions normally begin at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. However, either house may designate a different hour for convening.

The proceedings of each day's work are published in the Journals of both chambers. In addition, the records of committee action on all bills and resolutions are available for public inspection.

To make certain every member has the opportunity to become acquainted with legislation, bills in the regular sessions must be printed or reproduced and in the possession of each house for at least five days before they can be passed. Every bill must be read three times before it can be passed. The final vote on each bill is recorded in the Journals.

All laws must be published in their original words and be made available to the public within 60 days of the adjournment of each regular session.

During a two-year session, the Legislature will introduce approximately 3,500 bills—700-800 of these will become law. Proper consideration of the bills requires organization, time, and hard work. Legislators and legislative committees spend many hours of work on each bill before the bill is sent to the floor of either house for consideration. The floor debate on a bill, seen by a visitor, is only one of the stages of the legislative process.

The people can force the enactment of laws, or reject some laws passed by the Legislature, through the process of petition—submitted to the electorate at the next general election or special election as set forth by the Legislature:

- 1) The INITIATIVE petition, requiring 258,088* signatures of registered voters, is used to propose laws and to enact or reject laws.
- 2) The REFERENDUM petition, requiring 161,305* signatures of registered voters, is used to approve or reject laws enacted by the Legislature.
- 3) The CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT, requiring 322,609* signatures of registered voters, is used to amend the Michigan Constitution.

*In each case, a percentage of the total vote cast for all candidates for Governor at the last preceding general election at which a Governor was elected. 1) 8%; 2) 5%; 3) 10%.

POLITICAL COMPOSITION INDEX

MICHIGAN CONGRESSIONAL STATE SENATE - STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COURT OF APPEALS - CIRCUIT COURT - DISTRICT COURT

Codes for District Numbers:

C = Congressional District No.
SS = State Senate District No.
SH = State House of Representatives District No.

AC = Appeals Court District No.*
CC = Circuit Court Circuit No.
DC = District Court No.

To locate your Congressperson, Representative, Senator, or appropriate court, use the following steps:

1. Start with your county and find the district number(s).
2. If your county is in more than one district, refer to the map section. If you cannot decide on the basis of this information, call your county or city clerk or call the Elections Bureau of the Michigan Department of State at (517) 373-2540 for further assistance.
3. After locating your district number, use the lists on pages 29 and 51 to find your legislator.
4. Individual Congressional and state legislators are listed with local addresses, telephone numbers and other information.

When contacting your legislators, see the section on "Citizen Participation."

*Court of Appeals information from SCAO (last updated 11/07/02).

Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC	Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC
ALCONA COUNTY.....	1	36	106	4	26	82	Benton Charter Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
ALGER COUNTY.....	1	38	109	4	11	93	Benton Harbor City.....	6	21	79	3	2	5
ALLEGAN COUNTY.....	2, 6	24	80, 88	3	48	57	Berrien Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Allegan City	6	24	88	3	48	57	Bertrand Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Allegan Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Bridgeman City.....	6	21	79	3	2	5
Casco Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Buchanan City.....	6	21	78	3	2	5
Cheshire Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Buchanan Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Clyde Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Chikaming Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Dorr Twp.	2, 6	24	88	3	48	57	Coloma City.....	6	21	79	3	2	5
Ganges Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Coloma Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Gunplain Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Gallen Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Hopkins Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Hagar Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Lee Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Lake Charter Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Leighton Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Lincoln Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Martin Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	New Buffalo City.....	6	21	78	3	2	5
Otsego City.....	6	24	80	3	48	57	New Buffalo Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Otsego Twp.	6	24	80	3	48	57	Niles City (part).....	6	21	78	3	2	5
Plainwell City	6	24	88	3	48	57	Niles Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
South Haven City	6	24	88	3	48	57	Oronoko Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
(also see Van Buren Co.)							Pipestone Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Trowbridge Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Royalton Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Valley Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Sodus Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Watson Twp.	6	24	80	3	48	57	St. Joseph Charter Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
Wayland City	6	24	88	3	48	57	St. Joseph City.....	6	21	79	3	2	5
Wayland Twp.	6	24	88	3	48	57	Three Oaks Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
Balance of county.....	2	24	88	3	48	57	Watervliet City	6	21	79	3	2	5
ALPENA COUNTY.....	1	36	106	4	26	88	Watervliet Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5
ANTRIM COUNTY.....	1	37	105	4	13	86	Weesaw Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5
ARENAC COUNTY.....	1	31	97	4	34	81	BRANCH COUNTY.....	7	16	58	3	15	3A
BARAGA COUNTY.....	1	38	110	4	12	97	CALHOUN COUNTY.....	6, 7	19	62, 63	1	37	10
BARRY COUNTY.....	3	24	87	3	5	56B	Albion City	7	19	62	1	37	10
BAY COUNTY.....	1, 5	31	96, 97	4	18	74	Albion Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Auburn City.....	1	31	96	4	18	74	Athens Twp.	6, 7	19	62	1	37	10
Bangor Twp.	5	31	96	4	18	74	Battle Creek City	7	19	62, 63	1	37	10
Bay City	5	31	96	4	18	74	Bedford Twp.	7	19	62, 63	1	37	10
Beaver Twp.	1	31	96	4	18	74	Burlington Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Essexville City.....	5	31	96	4	18	74	Clarence Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Frankenlust Twp.	5	31	96	4	18	74	Clarendon Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Fraser Twp.	1	31	97	4	18	74	Convis Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Garfield Twp.	1	31	97	4	18	74	Eckford Twp.	7	19	62, 63	1	37	10
Gibson Twp.	1	31	97	4	18	74	Emmett Twp.	7	19	63	1	37	10
Hampton Twp.	5	31	96	4	18	74	Fredonia Twp.	7	19	62, 63	1	37	10
Kawkawlin Twp.	1	31	97	4	18	74	Homer Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Merritt Twp.	5	31	96	4	18	74	Lee Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Midland City (part).....	1	31	96	4	18	74	Leroy Twp.	6	19	62	1	37	10
Monitor Twp. (part).....	1, 5	31	96	4	18	74	Marengo Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Mt. Forest Twp.	1	31	97	4	18	74	Marshall City.....	7	19	62, 63	1	37	10
Pinconning City	1	31	97	4	18	74	Marshall Twp.	7	19	63	1	37	10
Pinconning Twp.	1	31	97	4	18	74	Newton Twp.	7	19	63	1	37	10
Portsmouth Twp.	5	31	96	4	18	74	Pennfield Twp.	7	19	63	1	37	10
Williams Twp.	1	31	96	4	18	74	Sheridan Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
BENZIE COUNTY.....	2	35	101	4	19	85	Springfield City	7	19	62	1	37	10
BERRIEN COUNTY.....	6	21	78, 79	3	2	5	Tekonsha Twp.	7	19	62	1	37	10
Bainbridge Twp.	6	21	79	3	2	5	CASS COUNTY.....	6	21	59, 78	3	43	4
Baroda Twp.	6	21	78	3	2	5	Calvin Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4
							Dowagiac Twp.	6	21	78	3	43	4

Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC	Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC
Howard Twp.	6	21	78	3	43	4	Grand Blanc Twp.	5	26	51	2	7	67 or 68
Jefferson Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Linden City	5	27	51	2	7	67 or 68
LaGrange Twp.	6	21	59, 78	3	43	4	Montrose City	5	27	48	2	7	67 or 68
Marcellus Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Montrose Twp.	5	27	48	2	7	67 or 68
Mason Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Mt. Morris City	5	26	48	2	7	67 or 68
Milton Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Mt. Morris Twp.	5	26	48	2	7	67 or 68
Newberg Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Mundy Twp.	5	27	51	2	7	67 or 68
Niles City	6	21	78	3	43	4	Richfield Twp.	5	26	50	2	7	67 or 68
(also see Berrien Co.)							Swartz Creek City.....	5	27	49	2	7	67 or 68
Ontwa Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Thetford Twp.	5	26	48	2	7	67 or 68
Penn Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	Vienna Twp.	5	26	48	2	7	67 or 68
Pokagon Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	GLADWIN COUNTY	1	36	97	4	55	80
Porter Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	GOGEBIC COUNTY	1	38	110	4	32	98
Silver Creek Twp.	6	21	78	3	43	4	GRAND TRAVERSE CO.	4	37	104	4	13	86
Volinia Twp.	6	21	59	3	43	4	GRATIOT COUNTY	4	32	93	4	29	65B
Wayne Twp.	6	21	78	3	43	4	HILLSDALE COUNTY.....	7	16	58	1	1	2B
CHARLEVOIX COUNTY	1	37	105	4	33	90	HOUGHTON COUNTY	1	38	110	4	12	97
CHEBOYGAN COUNTY	1	37	105, 107	4	53	89	HURON COUNTY	10	31	84	4	52	73B
Aloha	1	37	105	4	53	89	INGHAM COUNTY.....	8	22, 23	67-69	4	30	54A,B/55
Beaumont Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Alaiedon Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Benton Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Aurelius Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Burt Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Bunker Hill Twp.	8	22	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Cheboygan City.....	1	37	105	4	53	89	Delhi Charter Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Ellis Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	East Lansing City	8	23	69	4	30	54A,B/55
Forest Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	(also see Clinton Co.)						
Grant Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Ingham Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Hebron Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Lansing City.....	8	23	67-69	4	30	54A,B/55
Inverness Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	(also see Eaton Co.)						
Koehler Twp.	1	37	107	4	53	89	Lansing Twp.	8	23	68	4	30	54A,B/55
Mackinaw Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Leroy Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Mentor Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Leslie City.....	8	22	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Mullett Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Leslie Twp.	8	22	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Munro Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Locke Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Nunda Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Mason City	8	22	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Tuscarora Twp.	1	37	107	4	53	89	Meridian Twp.	8	23	69	4	30	54A,B/55
Walker Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Onondaga Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Waverly Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Stockbridge Twp.	8	22	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Wilmot Twp.	1	37	105	4	53	89	Vevay Twp.	8	22	67	4	30	54A,B/55
CHIPPEWA COUNTY	1	37	107	4	50	91	Wheatfield Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
CLARE COUNTY.....	4	35	97	4	55	80	White Oak Twp.	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
CLINTON COUNTY	8	33	85, 93	4	29	65A	Williamston City	8	23	67	4	30	54A,B/55
Bath Twp.	8	33	85	4	29	65A	Williamston Twp.	8	23	67, 69	4	30	54A,B/55
Bengal Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	IONIA COUNTY	3	33	70, 87	3	8	64A
Bingham Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Belding City	3	33	70	3	8	64A
Dallas Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Berlin Twp.	3	33	70, 87	3	8	64A
DeWitt City	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Boston Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
DeWitt Twp.	8	33	85, 93	4	29	65A	Campbell Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Duplain Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Danby Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Eagle Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Easton Twp.	3	33	70	3	8	64A
East Lansing City	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Ionia City	3	33	70, 87	3	8	64A
(also see Ingham Co.)							Ionia Twp.	3	33	70, 87	3	8	64A
Essex Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Keene Twp.	3	33	70	3	8	64A
Grand Ledge City	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Lyons Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
(also see Eaton Co.)							North Plains Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Greenbush Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Odessa Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Lebanon Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Orange Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Olive Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Orleans Twp.	3	33	70	3	8	64A
Ovid Twp.	8	33	85	4	29	65A	Otisco Twp.	3	33	70	3	8	64A
Riley Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Portland City.....	3	33	87	3	8	64A
St. Johns City	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Portland Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Victor Twp.	8	33	85	4	29	65A	Ronald Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Watertown Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	Sebewa Twp.	3	33	87	3	8	64A
Westphalia Twp.	8	33	93	4	29	65A	IOSCO COUNTY.....	1	36	103	4	23	81
CRAWFORD COUNTY.....	1	36	106	4	46	83	IRON COUNTY	1	38	110	4	41	95B
DELTA COUNTY	1	38	108	4	47	94	ISABELLA COUNTY	4	33	99	4	21	76
DICKINSON COUNTY	1	38	108	4	41	95B	JACKSON COUNTY	7	17, 19	64, 65	3	4	12
EATON COUNTY.....	7	24	65, 71	3	56	56A	Blackman Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Brookfield Twp.	7	24	65	3	56	56A	Columbia Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Eaton Rapids City.....	7	24	65	3	56	56A	Concord Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
Hamlin Twp.	7	24	65	3	56	56A	Grass Lake Twp.	7	17	65	3	4	12
Balance of county.....	7	24	71	3	56	56A	Hanover Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
EMMETT COUNTY	1	37	107	4	57	90	Henrietta Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
GENESEE COUNTY.....	5	26, 27	34, 48-51	2	7	67 or 68	Jackson City	7	19	64	3	4	12
Argentine Twp.	5	27	51	2	7	67 or 68	Leoni Twp.	7	17	65	3	4	12
Atlas Twp.	5	26	51	2	7	67 or 68	Liberty Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Burton City	5	26	50	2	7	67 or 68	Napoleon Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
Clayton Twp.	5	27	48, 49	2	7	67 or 68	Norvell Twp.	7	17	65	3	4	12
Clio City	5	26	48	2	7	67 or 68	Parma Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
Davison City	5	26	50	2	7	67 or 68	Pulaski Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
Davison Twp.	5	26	50	2	7	67 or 68	Rives Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Fenton City	5	27	51	2	7	67 or 68	Sandstone Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
Fenton Twp.	5	27	51	2	7	67 or 68	Spring Arbor Twp.	7	19	64	3	4	12
Flint City	5	27	34, 49	2	7	67 or 68	Springport Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Flint Twp.	5	27	49	2	7	67 or 68	Summit Twp.	7	17	64	3	4	12
Flushing City.....	5	27	48	2	7	67 or 68	Tompkins Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Flushing Twp.	5	27	48	2	7	67 or 68	Waterloo Twp.	7	19	65	3	4	12
Forest Twp.	5	26	48	2	7	67 or 68	KALAMAZOO COUNTY.....	6	20	60, 61, 63	3	9	8
Gaines Twp.	5	27	49	2	7	67 or 68	Alamo Twp.	6	20	61	3	9	8
Genesee Twp.	5	27	50	2	7	67 or 68	Brady Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Grand Blanc City	5	26	51	2	7	67 or 68	Charleston Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8

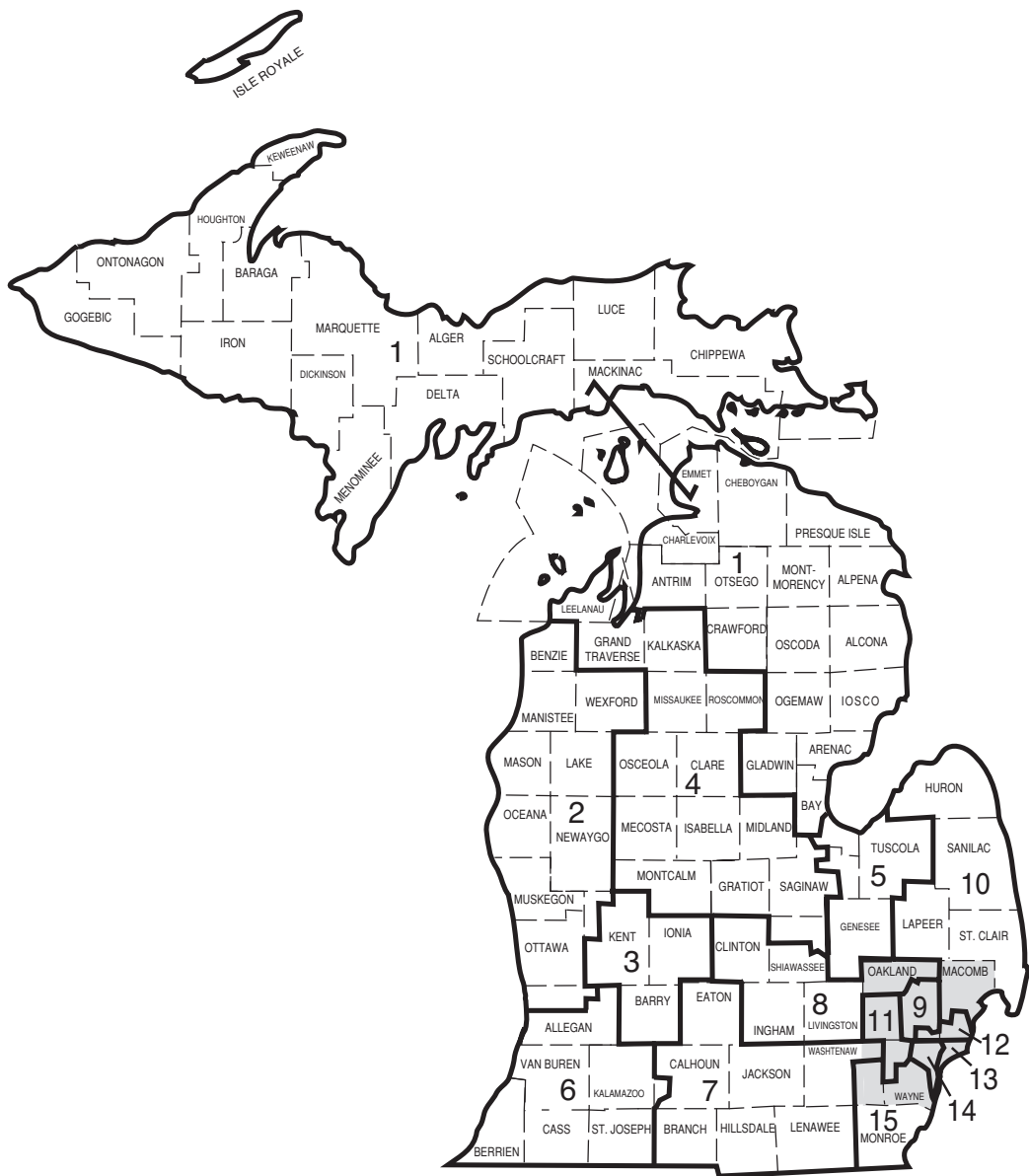
Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC
Climax Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Comstock Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Cooper Twp.	6	20	60	3	9	8
Galesburg City	6	20	63	3	9	8
Kalamazoo City	6	20	60	3	9	8
Kalamazoo Twp.	6	20	60, 61	3	9	8
Oshemo Twp.	6	20	61	3	9	8
Parchment City	6	20	61	3	9	8
Pavilion Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Portage City	6	20	60, 61	3	9	8
Prairie Ronde Twp.	6	20	61	3	9	8
Richland Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Ross Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Schoolcraft Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
Texas Twp.	6	20	61	3	9	8
Wakeshma Twp.	6	20	63	3	9	8
KALKASKA COUNTY	4	35	104	4	46	87
KENT COUNTY	2, 3	28-30	72-77, 86	3	17	59, 61, 62A
Ada Twp.	3	28	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Algoma Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Alpine Twp.	2	28	74	3	17	59, 61-63
Bowne Twp.	3	28	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Byron Twp.	3	28	77	3	17	59, 61-63
Caledonia Twp.	3	28	72	3	17	59, 61-63
Cannon Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Cascade Twp.	3	29	72	3	17	59, 61-63
Cedar Springs City	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Courtland Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
East Grand Rapids City	3	28	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Gaines Twp.	3	28	72	3	17	59, 61-63
Grand Rapids City	3	29	75, 76, 86	3	17	59, 61-63
Grand Rapids Twp.	3	28	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Grandville City	3	30	74	3	17	59, 61-63
Grattan Twp.	3	29	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Kentwood City	3	29	72	3	17	59, 61-63
Lowell City	3	29	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Lowell Twp.	3	29	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Nelson Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Oakfield Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Plainfield Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Rockford City	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Solon Twp.	2, 3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Sparta Twp.	2	30	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Spencer Twp.	3	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Tyrone Twp.	2	28	73	3	17	59, 61-63
Vergennes Twp.	3	29	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Walker City	3	28	86	3	17	59, 61-63
Wyoming City	3	28	77	3	17	59, 61-63
KEWEENAW COUNTY	1	38	110	4	12	97
LAKE COUNTY	2	35	100	4	51	78
LAPEER COUNTY	10	25	82	4	40	71A
LEELANAU COUNTY	4	35	101	4	13	86
LENAWEE COUNTY	7	16	57, 65	1	39	2A
Cambridge Twp.	7	16	65	1	39	2A
Balance of county	7	16	57	1	39	2A
LIVINGSTON COUNTY	8	22	47, 66	4	44	53
Cohoctah Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Conway Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Deerfield Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Hamburg Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Handy Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Hartland Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Howell City	8	22	47	4	44	53
Howell Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Iosco Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Marion Twp. (part)	8	22	47	4	44	53
Putnam Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Tyrone Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Unadilla Twp.	8	22	47	4	44	53
Balance of county	8	22	66	4	44	53
LUCE COUNTY	1	38	109	4	11	92
MACKINAC COUNTY	1	37	107	4	50	92
MACOMB COUNTY	10, 12	9-11	24, 25, 28,	2	16	37, 39,
			30-33,			40, 41A
			36, 42			41B, 42
Armada Twp.	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
Bruce Twp.	10	11	36	2	16	37, 39-42
Center Line City	12	9	28	2	16	37, 39-42
Chesterfield Twp.	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
Clinton Twp.	12	10	31, 33	2	16	37, 39-42
Eastpointe City	12	9	42	2	16	37, 39-42
Fraser City	12	9	31, 42	2	16	37, 39-42
Harrison Twp.	10	11	24	2	16	37, 39-42
Lake Twp.	12	9	24	2	16	37, 39-42
Lenox Twp.	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
Macomb Twp.	10	11	33	2	16	37, 39-42
Memphis City	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
(also see St. Clair Co.)						
Mt. Clemens City	12	11	31	2	16	37, 39-42

Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC
New Baltimore	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
Ray Twp.	10	11	33	2	16	37, 39-42
Richmond City	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
(also see St. Clair Co.)						
Richmond Twp.	10	11	32	2	16	37, 39-42
Roseville City	12	10	42	2	16	37, 39-42
Shelby Twp.	10	11	36	2	16	37, 39-42
St. Clair Shores City	12	9	24	2	16	37, 39-42
Sterling Heights City	10, 12	10	25, 30	2	16	37, 39-42
Utica City	10	10	30	2	16	37, 39-42
Warren City	12	9	25, 28	2	16	37, 39-42
Washington Twp.	10	11	36	2	16	37, 39-42
MANISTEE COUNTY	2	35	101	4	19	85
MARQUETTE COUNTY	1	38	109, 110	4	25	96
Powell Twp.	1	38	110	4	25	96
Balance of county	1	38	109	4	25	96
MASON COUNTY	2	34	101	4	51	79
MECOSTA COUNTY	4	35	102	4	49	77
MENOMINEE COUNTY	1	38	108	4	41	95A
MIDLAND COUNTY	4	36	98, 99	4	42	75
Homer Twp.	4	36	98	4	42	75
Ingersoll Twp.	4	36	98	4	42	75
Larkin Twp. (part)	4	36	98	4	42	75
Lincoln Twp. (part)	4	36	98	4	42	75
Midland City	4	36	98	4	42	75
(also see Bay Co.)						
Midland Twp.	4	36	98	4	42	75
Mt. Haley Twp.	4	36	98	4	42	75
Balance of county	4	36	99	4	42	75
MISSAUKEE COUNTY	4	35	103	4	28	84
MONROE COUNTY	15	17	55, 56	1	38	1
Bedford Twp.	15	17	55	1	38	1
Dundee Twp.	15	17	55	1	38	1
Erie Twp.	15	17	55	1	38	1
Milan City	15	17	55	1	38	1
Milan Twp.	15	17	55	1	38	1
Petersburg City	15	17	55	1	38	1
Summerfield Twp.	15	17	55	1	38	1
Whiteford Twp.	15	17	55	1	38	1
Balance of county	15	17	56	1	38	1
MONTCALM COUNTY	4	33	70	4	8	64B
MONTMORENCY COUNTY	1	36	106	4	26	88
MUSKEGON COUNTY	2	34	91, 92	3	14	60
Fruitland Twp.	2	34	92	3	14	60
Laketon Twp.	2	34	92	3	14	60
Muskegon City	2	34	92	3	14	60
Muskegon Twp.	2	34	92	3	14	60
Muskegon Heights City	2	34	92	3	14	60
North Muskegon City	2	34	92	3	14	60
Balance of county	2	34	91	3	14	60
NEWAYGO COUNTY	2	34	100	3	27	78
OAKLAND COUNTY	8, 9,	12-15,	26, 27, 29,	2	6	43, 44, 45A,
	11, 12	26	35, 37-41,			45B, 46-48,
			43-46, 66			50-52
Addison Twp.	8	12	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Auburn Hills City	9	12	29	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Berkley City	9	13	27	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Birmingham City	9	13	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Bloomfield Hills City	9	13	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Bloomfield Twp.	9	13	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Brandon Twp.	8	26	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Clawson City	9	13	41	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Commerce Twp.	11	15	39	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Farmington City	9	14	37	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Farmington Hills City	9	14	37	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Ferdale City	12	14	27	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Groveland Twp.	8	26	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Hazel Park City	12	14	27	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Highland Twp.	11	15	44	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Holly Twp.	8	15	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Huntington Woods City	12	14	27	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Independence Twp.	8	12	44	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Keego Harbor City	9	12	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Lake Angelus City	9	12	43	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Lathrup Village City	12	14	35	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Lyon Twp.	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Madison Heights City	12	13	26	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Milford Twp.	11	15	66	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Northville City	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
(also see Wayne Co.)						
Novi City	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Novi Twp.	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Oakland Twp.	9	12	45	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Oak Park City	12	14	27, 35	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Orchard Lake Village City	9	15	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Orion Twp.	8, 9	12	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Oxford Twp.	8	12	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Pleasant Ridge City	12	14	27	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Pontiac City	9	12	29	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Rochester City	9	12	45	2	6	43-48, 50-52

Governmental Unit	C	SS	SH	AC	CC	DC
Rochester Hills City	9	12	45	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Rose Twp.	8	15	46	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Royal Oak City	9, 12	13	26	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Royal Oak Twp.	12	14	35	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Southfield City	12	14	35	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Southfield Twp.	9	14	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
South Lyon City	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Springfield Twp.	8	26	44	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Sylvan Lake City	9	12	40	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Troy City	9	13	41	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Village of Clarkston City	8	12	44	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Walled Lake City	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Waterford Twp.	9, 11	26	43	2	6	43-48, 50-52
West Bloomfield Twp.	9	12, 15	39, 43	2	6	43-48, 50-52
White Lake Twp.	11	15	44	2	6	43-48, 50-52
Wixom City	11	15	38	2	6	43-48, 50-52
OCEANA COUNTY.....	2	34	100	4	27	79
OGEMAW COUNTY.....	1	36	103	4	34	82
ONTONAGON COUNTY.....	1	38	110	4	32	98
OSCEOLA COUNTY.....	4	35	102	4	49	77
OSCODA COUNTY.....	1	36	106	4	23	82
OTSEGO COUNTY.....	1	36	105	4	46	87
OTTAWA COUNTY.....	2	30	74, 89-91	3	20	58
Blendon Twp.	2	30	90	3	20	58
Chester Twp.	2	30	91	3	20	58
Coopersville City	2	30	74	3	20	58
Crookery Twp.	2	30	74	3	20	58
Georgetown Twp.	2	30	74	3	20	58
Holland City	2	30	90	3	20	58
(also see Allegan Co.)						
Holland Twp.	2	30	90	3	20	58
Hudsonville City	2	30	90	3	20	58
Jamestown Twp.	2	30	90	3	20	58
Polkton Twp.	2	30	74	3	20	58
Tallmadge Twp.	2	30	74	3	20	58
Wright Twp.	2	30	74	3	20	58
Zeeland City	2	30	90	3	20	58
Zeeland Twp.	2	30	90	3	20	58
Balance of county	2	30	89	3	20	58
PRESQUE ISLE COUNTY.....	1	37	106	4	26	89
ROSCOMMON COUNTY.....	4	35	103	4	34	83
SAGINAW COUNTY.....	4, 5	32	94, 95, 98	4	10	70
Albee Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Birch Run Twp.	5	32	94	4	10	70
Blumfield Twp.	5	32	94	4	10	70
Brady Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Brant Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Bridgeport Twp.	4	32	95	4	10	70
Buena Vista Twp.	5	32	95	4	10	70
Carrollton Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Chapin Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Chesaning Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Frankenmuth City	5	32	94	4	10	70
Frankenmuth Twp.	5	32	94	4	10	70
Fremont Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
James Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Jonesfield Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Kochville Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Lakefield Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Maple Grove Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Marion Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Richland Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Saginaw City	5	32	95	4	10	70
Saginaw Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Spaulding Twp.	4	32	95	4	10	70
St. Charles Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Swan Creek Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Taymouth Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Thomas Twp.	4	32	94	4	10	70
Tittabawassee Twp.	4	32	98	4	10	70
Zilwaukee City	4	32	98	4	10	70
Zilwaukee Twp.	5	32	98	4	10	70
SANILAC COUNTY.....	10	31	83	4	24	73A
SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY.....	1	38	109	4	11	93
SHIAWASSEE COUNTY.....	4, 8	22	85	2	35	66
Antrim Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Bennington Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Burns Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Durand City	8	22	85	2	35	66
Laingsburg City	8	22	85	2	35	66
Perry City	8	22	85	2	35	66
Perry Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Sciota Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Shiawassee Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Vernon Twp. (part)	8	22	85	2	35	66
Woodhull Twp.	8	22	85	2	35	66
Balance of county	4	22	85	2	35	66
ST. CLAIR COUNTY.....	10	25	32, 81, 83	4	31	72
Burtchville Twp.	10	25	83	4	31	72
Columbus Twp.	10	25	32	4	31	72

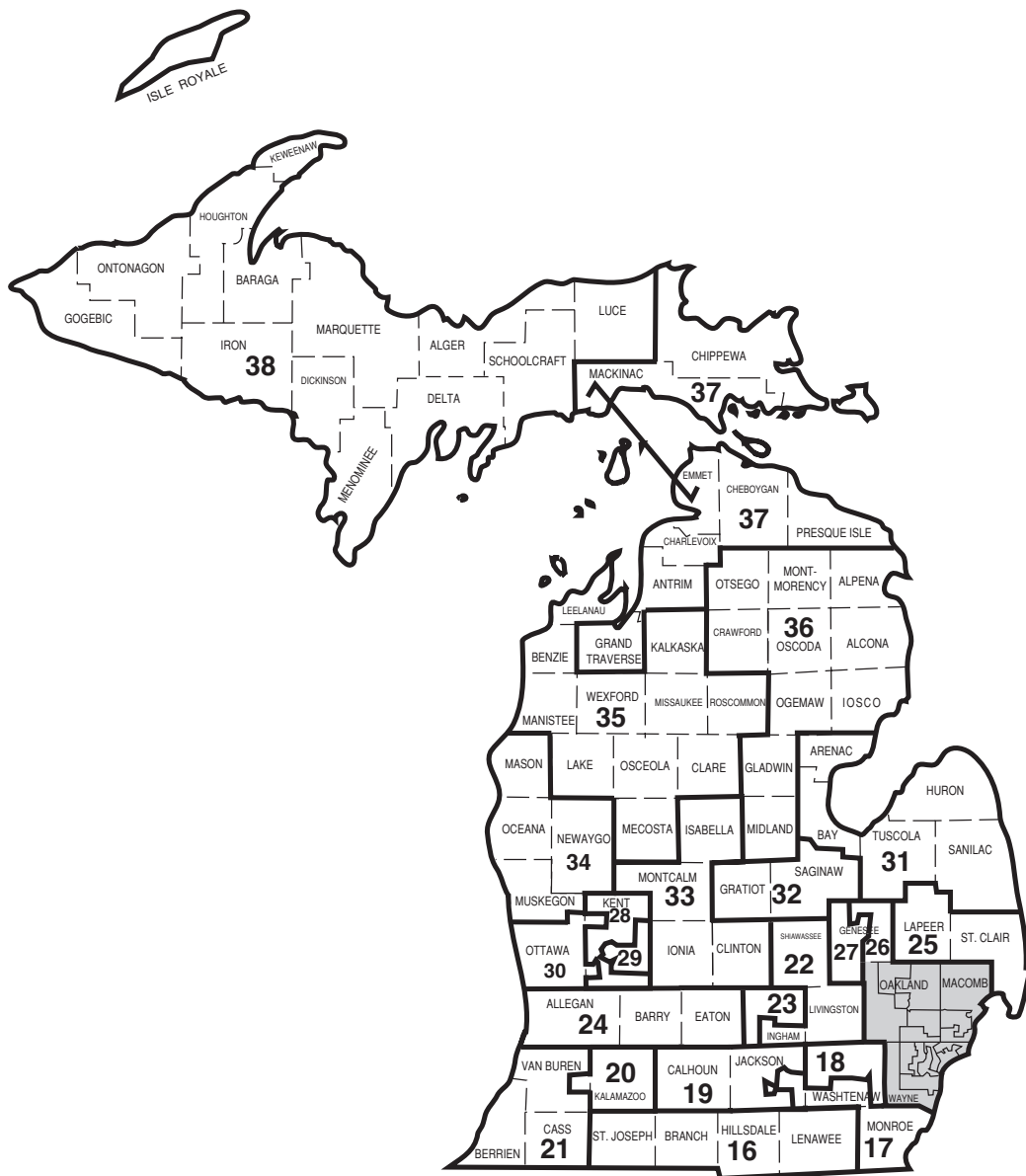
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Fort Gratiot Twp.	10	25	83	4	31	72
Ira Twp.	10	25	32	4	31	72
Kimball Twp.	10	25	32	4	31	72
Port Huron City	10	25	83	4	31	72
Wales Twp.	10	25	32	4	31	72
Balance of county	10	25	81	4	31	72
<i>Note: Cities of Memphis and Richmond are in both St. Clair and Macomb Counties.</i>						
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY.....	6	16	59	3	45	3B
TUSCOLA COUNTY.....	5	31	84	4	54	71B
VAN BUREN COUNTY.....	6	20, 21	80	3	36	7
Antwerp Twp.	6	20	80	3	36	7
Paw Paw Twp.	6	20	80	3	36	7
Balance of county	6	21	80	3	36	7
<i>Note: The City of South Haven is in both Van Buren and Allegan Counties.</i>						
WASHTENAW COUNTY.....	7, 15	17, 18	52-55	3	22	14A/B, 15
Ann Arbor City	15	18	52, 53	3	22	15
Ann Arbor Twp.	15	18	52, 53	3	22	14A
Augusta Twp.	15	18	54	3	22	14A
Bridgewater Twp.	7	17	52	3	22	14A
Chelsea City	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Dexter Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Freedom Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Lima Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Lodi Twp.	7	17	52	3	22	14A
Lyndon Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Manchester Twp.	7	17	52	3	22	14A
Milan City	15	17	55	3	22	14A
(also see Monroe Co.)						
Northfield Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Pittsfield Twp.	7, 15	17, 18	52, 53, 55	3	22	14A
Salem Twp.	7	18	54	3	22	14A
Saline City	7	17	52	3	22	14A
Saline Twp.	7	17	52, 55	3	22	14A
Scio Twp.	7, 15	18	52, 53	3	22	14A
Sharon Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Superior Twp.	15	18	54	3	22	14A
Sylvan Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
Webster Twp.	7	18	52	3	22	14A
York Twp.	15	17	55	3	22	14A
Ypsilanti City	15	18	54	3	22	14A
Ypsilanti Twp.	15	18	54	3	22	14B
WAYNE COUNTY.....	11,	1-8	1-23	1	3	16-36, (incl. 32A)
Allen Park City	14	8	14, 16	1	3	16-36(32A)
Belleville City	11	7	21	1	3	16-36(32A)
Brownstown Twp.	15	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Canton Twp.	11	7	20, 21	1	3	16-36(32A)
Dearborn City	14, 15	3	11, 15	1	3	16-36(32A)
Dearborn Heights City	11, 15	5	16, 17	1	3	16-36(32A)
Detroit City	13, 14	1-4	1-12	1	3	16-36(32A)
Ecorse City	13	8	14	1	3	16-36(32A)
Flat Rock City	15	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Garden City	11	6	16	1	3	16-36(32A)
Gibraltar City	14	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Grosse Ile Twp.	14	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Grosse Pointe City	13	2	1	1	3	16-36(32A)
Grosse Pointe Twp.	13	2	1	1	3	16-36(32A)
Grosse Pointe Farms City	13	2	1	1	3	16-36(32A)
Grosse Pointe Park City	13	2	1	1	3	16-36(32A)
Grosse Pointe Woods City	13	2	1	1	3	16-36(32A)
Hamtramck City	14	2	5	1	3	16-36(32A)
Harper Woods City	13	2	1	1	3	16-36(32A)
Highland Park City	14	2	5	1	3	16-36(32A)
Huron Twp.	15	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Inkster City	15	5	16	1	3	16-36(32A)
Lincoln Park City	13	8	14	1	3	16-36(32A)
Livonia City	11	6	17, 19	1	3	16-36(32A)
Melvindale City	14	8	14	1	3	16-36(32A)
Northville City	11	7	20	1	3	16-36(32A)
(also see Oakland Co.)						
Northville Twp.	11	7	20	1	3	16-36(32A)
Plymouth City	11	7	20	1	3	16-36(32A)
Plymouth Twp.	11	7	20	1	3	16-36(32A)
Redford Twp.	11	6	17	1	3	16-36(32A)
River Rouge City	13	3	14	1	3	16-36(32A)
Riverview City	14	8	13	1	3	16-36(32A)
Rockwood City	15	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Romulus City	15	8	22	1	3	16-36(32A)
Southgate City	14	8	13	1	3	16-36(32A)
Sumpter Twp.	15	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Taylor City	15	8	22	1	3	16-36(32A)
Trenton City	14	7	13	1	3	16-36(32A)
Van Buren Twp.	11	7	21	1	3	16-36(32A)
Wayne City	11	8	20	1	3	16-36(32A)
Westland City	11	6	18	1	3	16-36(32A)
Woodhaven City	15	7	23	1	3	16-36(32A)
Wyandotte City	13	8	13	1	3	16-36(32A)
WEXFORD COUNTY.....	2	35	102	4	28	84

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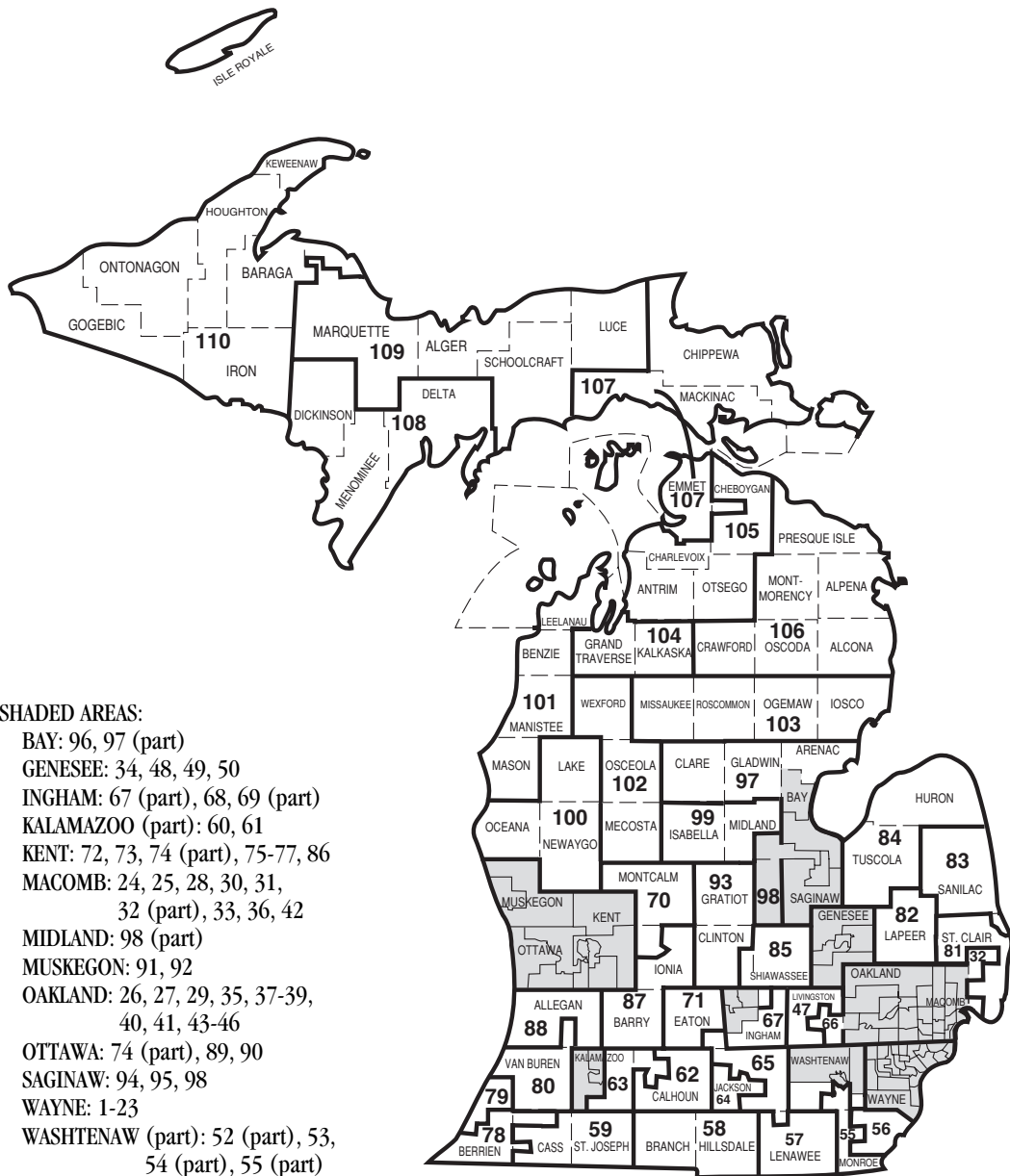
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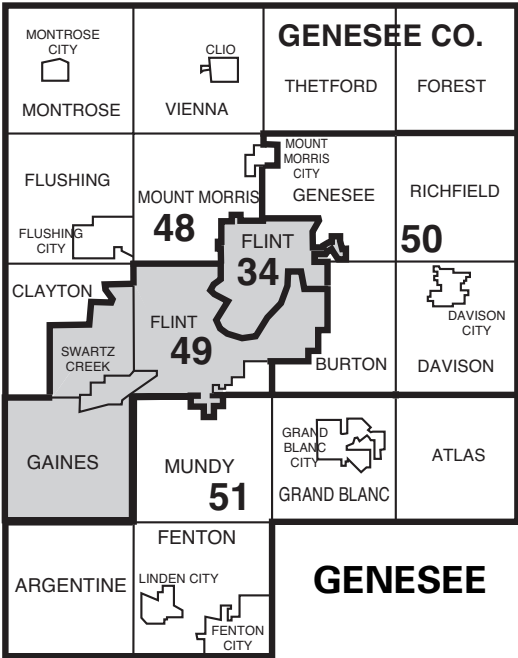


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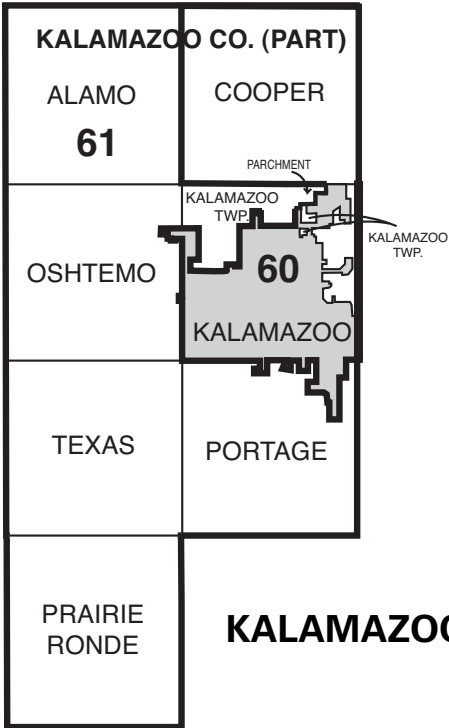
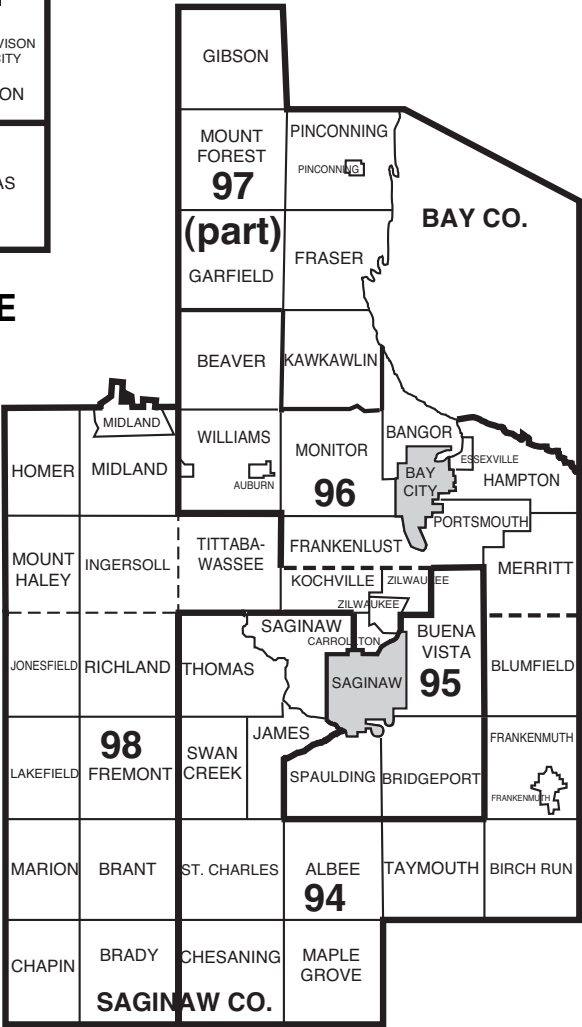
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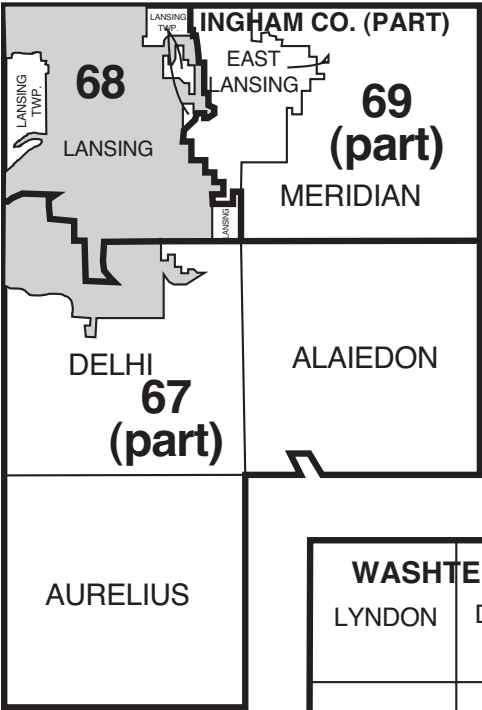
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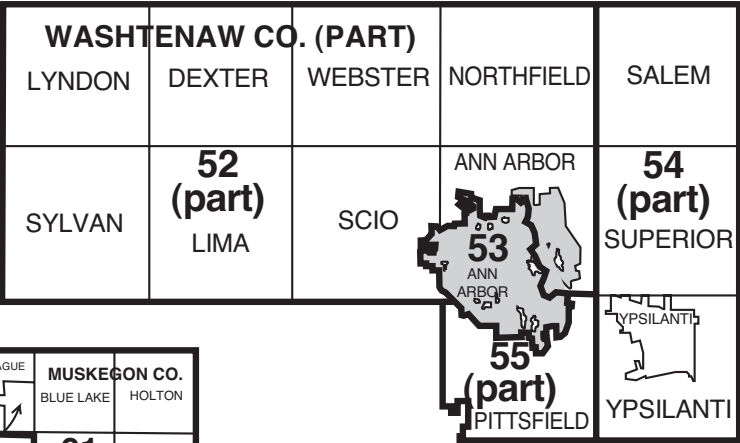


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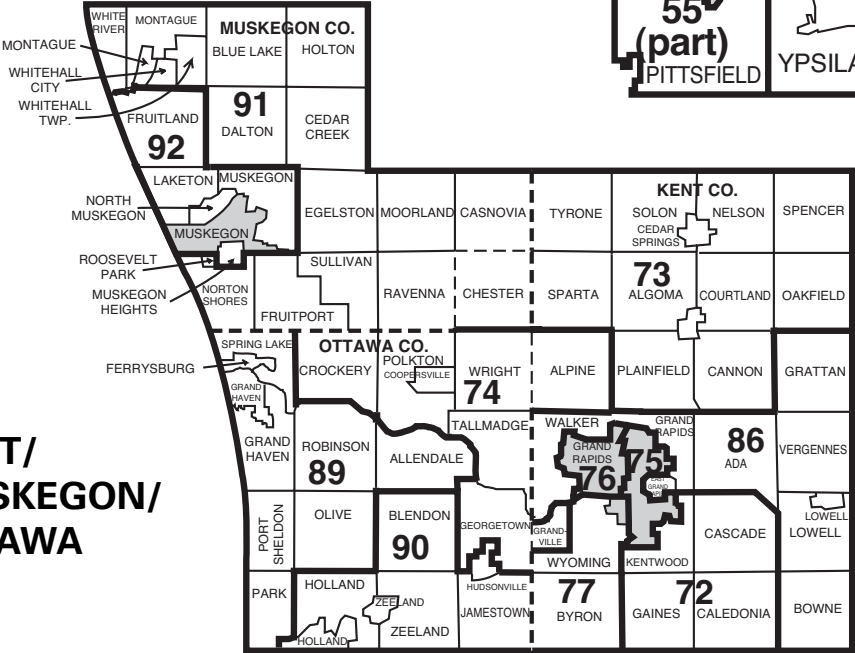


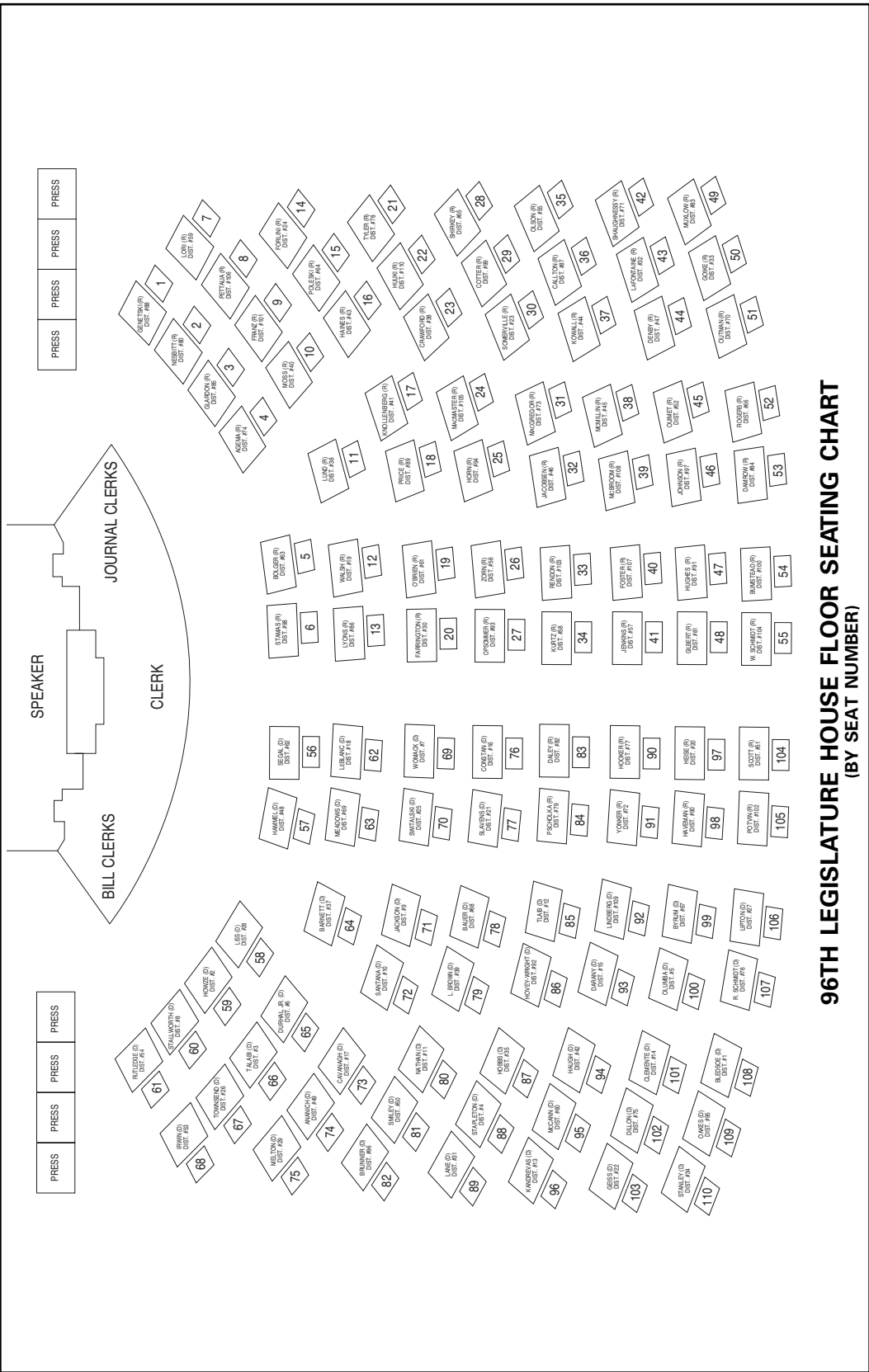
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LISTING BY HOUSE DISTRICTS

(new members in boldface)

Dist.	Representative	Party	Term	Dist.	Representative	Party	Term
1	Timothy Bledsoe	D	2	56	Dale W. Zorn	R	1
2	Lisa Howze	D	1	57	Nancy Jenkins	R	1
3	Alberta Tinsley-Talabi	D	1	58	Kenneth Kurtz	R	2
4	Maureen Stapleton	D	1	59	Matt Lori	R	2
5	John Olumba	D	1	60	Sean McCann	D	1
6	Fred Durhal, Jr.	D	2*	61	Margaret E. O'Brien	R	1
7	Jimmy Womack	D	2	62	Kate Segal	D	2
8	Thomas F. Stallworth III	D	1	63	Jase Bolger	R	2
9	Shanelle Jackson	D	3	64	Earl Poleski	R	1
10	Harvey Santana	D	1	65	Mike Shirkey	R	1*
11	David Nathan	D	2	66	Bill Rogers	R	2
12	Rashida Tlaib	D	2	67	Barb Byrum	D	3
13	Andrew Kandreas	D	2	68	Joan Bauer	D	3
14	Paul Clemente	D	1	69	Mark S. Meadows	D	3*
15	George T. Darany	D	1	70	Rick Outman	R	1
16	Bob Constan	D	3	71	Deb Shaughnessy	R	1
17	Phil Cavanagh	D	1	72	Ken Yonker	R	1
18	Richard LeBlanc	D	3	73	Peter MacGregor	R	1
19	John Walsh	R	2	74	Dave Agema	R	3
20	Kurt Heise	R	1	75	Brandon Dillon	D	1
21	Dian Slavens	D	2	76	Roy Schmidt	D	2
22	Douglas A. Geiss	D	2	77	Thomas B. Hooker	R	1
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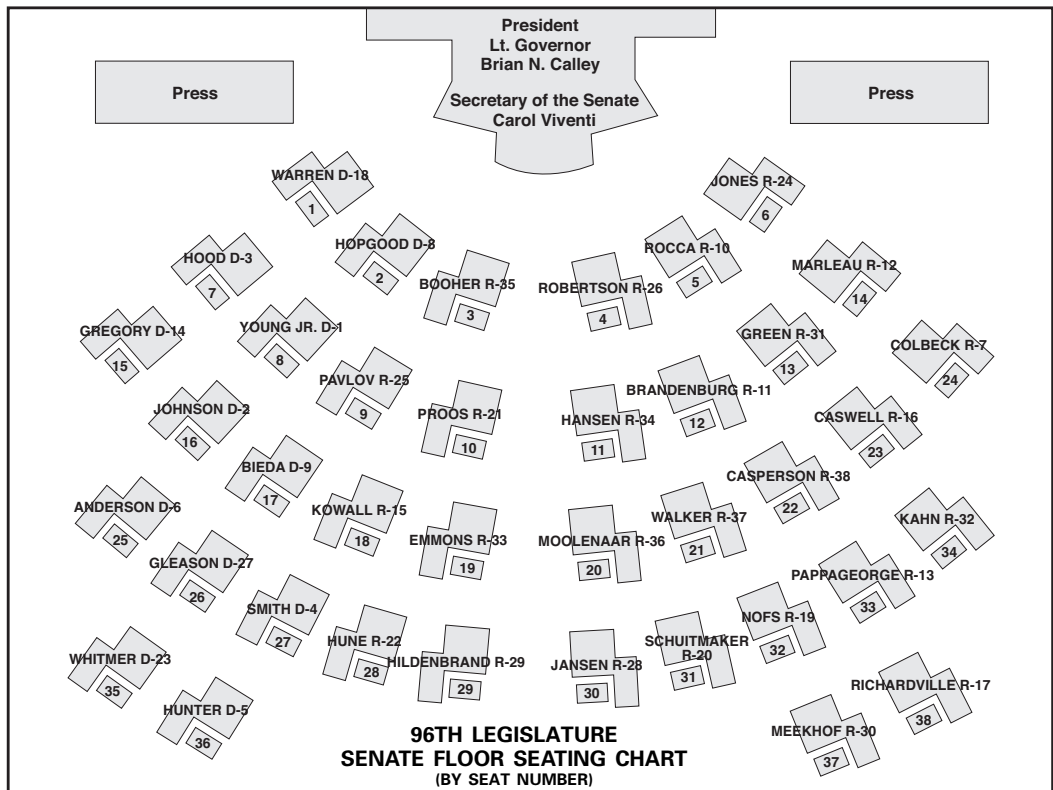
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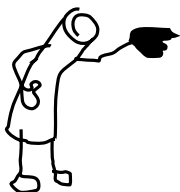
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HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW



1. A bill is introduced in either the Senate or the House. Sometimes identical bills are introduced simultaneously. The bill receives a **FIRST READING** in the House and a **FIRST AND SECOND READING** in the Senate (at which time the title is read). Then either the Majority Leader of the Senate or the Speaker of the House refers the bill to an appropriate standing committee (Education, Commerce, Health, and Human Services, etc.). If the bill is a budget bill or has fiscal implications, it will be referred directly to the Appropriations Committee or to an appropriate standing committee and then to the Appropriations Committee.



2. In committee, the bill is discussed and debated. Public hearings may be held. Not every bill in the committee will be considered. The committee may take several different actions:
 - Report the bill with favorable recommendation.
 - Add amendments and report the bill with favorable recommendation.
 - Report the bill with the recommendation that a substitute be adopted.
 - Report the bill with adverse recommendation.
 - Report the bill without recommendation.
 - Report the bill with amendments but without recommendation.
 - Report the bill with the recommendation that the bill be referred to another committee.
 - Take no action on the bill.
 - Refuse to report the bill out of committee.



3. If a bill is reported out favorably or a substitute is offered, the bill is returned to the Senate or House where it receives a **GENERAL ORDERS** status in the Senate and a **SECOND READING** status in the House. The Senate resolves itself into the Committee of the Whole and the House assumes the order of **SECOND READING**. At this time, committee recommendations are considered and amendments may be offered and adopted. The bill then advances to **THIRD READING**.



4. Upon **THIRD READING** in the Senate, an entire bill is read unless unanimous consent is given to consider the bill read. In the House, the bill is read in its entirety on **THIRD READING** unless four-fifths of the members consent to consider the bill read. At **THIRD READING** the bill is again subject to debate and amendment. At the conclusion of **THIRD READING**, the bill is either passed or defeated by a roll call vote of the majority of members elected and serving OR one of the following options may be used to delay final action:

- Refer bill back to committee for further consideration.
- Postpone bill indefinitely.
- Make the bill a special order of business on **THIRD READING** for a specific date.

or

- Table the bill.

Following either passage or defeat of a bill, a legislator may move to have the bill reconsidered. In the Senate, the motion must be made within the next two session days; in the House, within the next succeeding day.

5. If the bill passes, it goes to the other house where the same procedure is followed. If the bill is passed in the same form by both houses, it is ordered “enrolled” in the house in which it originated. It then goes to the Governor for his or her signature.



6. If the bill is passed in a different form by the second house, the bill is returned to its house of origin. If this house accepts the changes, the bill is enrolled and sent to the Governor. If the changes are rejected, the bill is sent to a conference committee which tries to resolve differences. If the first conference report is rejected, a second conference committee may be appointed.



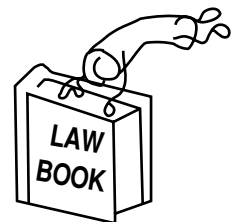
7. The Governor has 14 days after receiving a bill to consider it. He or she may:

- Sign the bill. The bill becomes law either 90 days after the legislature adjourns sine die* or at a later date specified in the bill. If the bill has been given immediate effect by a 2/3 vote of the members elected and serving, it becomes law upon the Governor's signature.
- Veto the bill (which would then require a 2/3 vote to override). See No. 8 below.
- Neither sign nor veto, in which case the bill becomes law 14 days after reaching the Governor's desk unless the legislature adjourns sine die within the 14 days. In that case the bill does not become law.



8. If the Governor vetoes a bill while the legislature is in session or recess, one of the following actions may occur:

- Legislature may override the veto by a 2/3 vote of the members elected and serving in both houses.
- Bill may not receive the necessary 2/3 vote and thus the attempt to override the veto will fail.
- Bill may be tabled pending an attempt to override veto.
- Bill may be re-referred to a committee.



* at the end of the year



COMMITTEES

(All committees and subcommittees are listed in the section following)

How They Work

When a bill is introduced in either the House of Representatives or the Senate, it is sent to one of the committees in its own house which deals with that particular type of issue. At the point of introduction, the bill will be given a number and will be made available on the legislature's website.

There are 19 standing House committees and 20 standing Senate committees. These committees contain from 4 to 27 members. The Appropriations Committees are divided into subcommittees where bills with monetary implications are assigned for discussion, analysis, and revision before being presented to the full committee for action. (See subcommittee section for chairpersons and members.)

There are several other types of committees set up by the legislature to achieve certain goals. Special committees may be created by a House or Senate Resolution and appointed by the Speaker and/or the Senate Majority Leader, and are generally appointed to serve during a specified time period. The number of members of these committees will vary according to the specifications of the Resolution. For the most part, these committees are used to study and investigate topics of special interest, such as railroads, aging, urban mass transportation, nursing home issues, etc.

Another type of committee is the joint committee. Several of these are established by statute, for example: the Committee on Administrative Rules and the Legislative Council. These committees, like standing committees, are appointed for two-year periods, but membership consists of both Senators and Representatives.

When a bill is referred to a standing committee, the members of that committee have a choice in the actions they may take: report the bill with a favorable recommendation—or without recommendation; report the bill with amendments—with or without recommendation; report a substitute bill in place of the original bill; report the bill and recommend that it be referred to another committee; or take no action on the bill (committees are not required to “report out” a bill).

Although one of the chief functions of a committee is to “screen out” undesirable bills, arbitrary refusal of a committee to report a bill can be remedied by a motion to “discharge the committee from further consideration of the bill.” If the motion is approved by a majority of members in the respective house, the bill is placed on the order of Second Reading in the House or General Orders in the Senate.

As a rule, all standing committee meetings are open to the public. Exceptions are extremely rare. Most committee business is conducted during the meeting. All committee action requires the approval of a majority of those appointed and serving on the committee. If there are a sufficient number of “yes” votes, the bill is reported out.

Members are usually given at least one day's notice of all committee meetings. There is an informal schedule of committee meetings which indicates what day and time committees are meeting each week (see listing on pages 68 and 71). Public hearings are announced at the end of the daily House or Senate sessions and appear on the calendars. The notice for such hearings gives the time, date, place, and subject matter.

Testifying Before a Committee

If you become aware that a particular bill of interest to you has been introduced, KEEP TRACK OF IT. Find out, from the Clerk of the House, the Secretary of the Senate, or an interested organization, which committee the bill was referred to. You may then write a brief letter to the Committee Clerk for that committee (see committee lists), asking to be notified when the bill is put on the committee agenda for discussion or is scheduled for a public hearing. (Be sure you send your name, address, and telephone number.) You may



also write to the Chairperson of that committee requesting that the bill be put on the agenda or scheduled for a hearing. Sometimes only a volume of letters on a particular bill will assure that it receives a committee hearing, since not all bills are “automatically” considered—many die without ever having been considered by a committee.

It is important to note that attention given to bills in regular committee meetings may not be as extensive as in a public hearing because of time limitations. A committee may be regularly scheduled to meet for an hour, and may need to consider three or four bills during that time. A public hearing, on the other hand, may hear testimony on a single issue for more than three hours. However, only major pieces of legislation or bills in which there is widespread interest will normally be scheduled for public hearings.

When a bill is scheduled on the committee agenda for consideration, and if you have an active interest in the legislation and feel there are contributions you can make to the committee process, you may decide to testify at either a meeting or a hearing. The purpose of testimony given should be informational so that committee members can vote on the bill with as full an understanding as possible of all sides of the issue it addresses, and the consequences of its passage. In a meeting, the sponsor, experts on the problem, and informed members of the public will normally be heard. If the measure is controversial or additional information is needed before a decision can be reached by the members, most committees will gladly put the bill over to a future meeting or even a public hearing.

If you find out about a bill after it has passed in its house of origin, you still may have the opportunity to be heard before the committee in the other house to which it has been referred.

The following guidelines are suggested to assist citizens in making their testimony influential and effective:

1. **WRITE** to committee members and to your own legislator, simply expressing support or opposition to the legislation. (See citizen participation section.)
2. **IF YOU DECIDE TO TESTIFY**, notify the committee as soon as possible of your desire and, as a courtesy, let your legislators know that you’ve asked for time to present testimony.
3. **IF YOU REPRESENT A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS OR AN ORGANIZATION**, choose one person to present the group’s point of view and bring others along as supporters. (No committee wants to hear the same testimony over and over.)

4. **PREPARE TESTIMONY AND/OR SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS IN ADVANCE.** Read the bill carefully and any available analyses. Do research, if necessary, be sure that all your facts, background material, and figures are accurate. Consult with others to determine the scope of the issue and clarify what you, or the group, want to cover in your testimony.
5. **PREPARE A CLEAR, CONCISE WRITTEN STATEMENT** which has been thoroughly proofread for errors and review it with others who have the same interest.
6. **WHEN YOU TESTIFY**, identify who you are and, if you represent a group, give the name of the group. At the beginning of your remarks, state whether you are testifying in support or opposition of the proposal or bill. Relate your group's or your own experience or views directly to the issue.
7. **KEEP YOUR TESTIMONY SHORT AND TO THE POINT.** If your testimony is lengthy and complex, it is best to offer highlights at the hearing and request permission to place your complete position and supporting material in the record. Anything you present in writing will be placed in the committee members' files and will be available to them at any future meetings. If possible, have copies of testimony available for committee members and staff.
8. **AVOID EMOTIONAL SPEECHES AND PROPAGANDA.** Your role is an important one—don't abuse it. This is the surest way to invite a hostile reaction and alienate the very committee members you are trying to persuade to your point of view.
9. **IF YOU ARE ASKED A HOSTILE QUESTION**, keep a cool head. Don't be afraid to stop and think for a minute to answer a question properly. If you don't have the answer, never guess—request permission to file a detailed response at a later date.

Without the support of the committee involved, the bill or proposal you are interested in may never make it to the floor to be voted on. Even if you prefer not to testify, your attendance at a hearing and personal correspondence with committee members and your own legislators are important in influencing the decision-making process.

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEES

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AGRICULTURE (16)

Reps. Daley (C), Denby (VC), Kurtz, Tyler, Glardon, Johnson, LaFontaine, McBroom, Outman, Rendon, *Santana (M-VC), Brunner, Oakes, Talabi, Hovey-Wright, Segal.*

APPROPRIATIONS (27)

Reps. Moss (C), Haveman (VC), Agema, Genetski, Kowall, Lori, Rogers, Bumstead, Cotter, Forlini, Goike, Jenkins, MacGregor, MacMaster, Poleski, Pscholka, Potvin, *LeBlanc (M-VC), Ananich, Bauer, Dillon, Durhal, Jackson, Lindberg, Lipton, McCann, Tlaib.*

BANKING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES (11)

Reps. Knollenberg (C), Lyons (VC), Farrington, Foster, Huuki, Olson, Pettalia, *Womack (M-VC), Switalski, Clemente, Stanley.*

COMMERCE (19)

Reps. Wayne Schmidt (C), Tyler (VC), Gilbert, Knollenberg, Denby, Lund, Shirkey, Farrington, Glardon, Shaughnessy, Somerville, Zorn, *Switalski (M-VC), Bledsoe, Haugh, Barnett, Clemente, Melton, Olumba.*

EDUCATION (19)

Reps. Scott (C), Hooker (VC), Crawford, McMillin, Franz, Heise, Hughes, Nesbitt, O'Brien, Price, Shaughnessy, Yonker, *Brown (M-VC), Darany, Howze, Hobbs, Rutledge, Stallworth, Geiss.*

ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY (21)

Reps. Horn (C), Shirkey (VC), Opsommer, Crawford, Haveman, Kowall, Franz, Jacobsen, McBroom, Nesbitt, Outman, Price, Zorn, *Roy Schmidt (M-VC), Santana, Irwin, Brunner, Melton, Cavanagh, Smiley, Switalski.*

FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS (9)

Reps. Kurtz (C), O'Brien (VC), Haines, Heise, Hooker, Rendon, *Slavens (M-VC), Lane, Stapleton.*

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS (5)

Reps. Stamas (C), Nesbitt (VC), McMillin, *Barnett (M-VC), Kandrevas.*

HEALTH POLICY (17)

Reps. Haines (C), Callton (VC), Opsommer, Kurtz, Wayne Schmidt, Scott, Shirkey, Hooker, Huuki, Muxlow, Yonker, *Liss (M-VC), Stallworth, Darany, Segal, Womack, Hovey-Wright.*

INSURANCE (17)

Reps. Lund (C), Shaughnessy (VC), Opsommer, Denby, Callton, Glardon, Johnson, LaFontaine, Lyons, O'Brien, Yonker, *Kandrevas (M-VC), Roy Schmidt, Segal, Hovey-Wright, Howze, Geiss.*

JUDICIARY (17)

Reps. Walsh (C), Heise (VC), Gilbert, Horn, Scott, Damrow, Muxlow, Jacobsen, Pettalia, Somerville, *Meadows (M-VC), Constan, Oakes, Brown, Irwin, Cavanagh, Olumba.*

LOCAL, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS (15)

Reps. Ouimet (C), Pettalia (VC), Crawford, Daley, Hughes, LaFontaine, Price, Shaughnessy, Rendon, *Stanley (M-VC), Constan, Townsend, Stapleton, Rutledge, Lane.*

MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY (11)

Reps. Damrow (C), Franz (VC), Haines, Tyler, Callton, Zorn, *Nathan (M-VC), Darany, Smiley, Liss, Clemente.*

NATURAL RESOURCES, TOURISM, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION (11)

Reps. Foster (C), Huuki (VC), Wayne Schmidt, Damrow, Hughes, Johnson, Pettalia, *Haugh (M-VC), Stapleton, Bledsoe, Slavens.*

OVERSIGHT, REFORM, AND ETHICS (6)

Reps. McMillin (C), Jacobsen (VC), Denby, Price, *Bledsoe (M-VC), Brown.*

REDISTRICTING AND ELECTIONS (9)

Reps. Lund (C), McBroom (VC), Knollenberg, Scott, Tyler, Outman, *Byrum (M-VC), Nathan, Stanley.*

REGULATORY REFORM (15)

Reps. Crawford (C), Yonker (VC), Opsommer, Daley, McMillin, Stamas, Shirkey, Franz, McBroom, Rendon, *Melton (M-VC), Haugh, Byrum, Slavens, Womack.*

TAX POLICY (17)

Reps. Gilbert (C), Walsh (VC), Horn, Farrington, Foster, Lyons, Nesbitt, O'Brien, Olson, Ouimet, *Constan (M-VC), Barnett, Kandrevas, Meadows, Townsend, Cavanagh, Hobbs.*

TRANSPORTATION (17)

Reps. Opsommer (C), Glardon (VC), Daley, Wayne Schmidt, Huuki, Jacobsen, Muxlow, Olson, Ouimet, Somerville, *Geiss (M-VC), Talabi, Nathan, Liss, Byrum, Smiley, Roy Schmidt.*

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEES

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AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (4)

Reps. Potvin (C), Forlini (VC), Jenkins, *Ananich (M-VC)*.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES (5)

Reps. Goike (C), Genetski (VC), Cotter, *McCann (M-VC)*, *Lipton*.

COMMUNITY HEALTH (6)

Reps. Lori (C), MacGregor (VC), Agema, Genetski, *Tlaib (M-VC)*, *Bauer*.

CORRECTIONS (6)

Reps. Haveman (C), MacMaster (VC), Lori, Rogers, *Lindberg (M-VC)*, *Durhal*.

EDUCATION (6)

Reps. Rogers (C), Poleski (VC), Bumstead, Potvin, *Bauer (M-VC)*, *Dillon*.

ENERGY, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC GROWTH (6)

Reps. Pscholka (C), Rogers (VC), MacGregor, MacMaster, *Ananich (M-VC)*, *Dillon*.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (4)

Reps. Kowall (C), Bumstead (VC), Pscholka, *McCann (M-VC)*.

FISCAL OVERSIGHT, AUDIT, AND LITIGATION (3)

Reps. Moss (C), Poleski (VC), *Durhal (M-VC)*.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT (6)

Reps. Poleski (C), Lori (VC), Kowall, Forlini, *Durhal (M-VC)*, *Lipton*.

HIGHER EDUCATION (6)

Reps. Genetski (C), Cotter (VC), Haveman, Pscholka, *Bauer (M-VC)*, *Jackson*.

HUMAN SERVICES (6)

Reps. Agema (C), MacMaster (VC), Bumstead, Forlini, *Jackson (M-VC)*, *Tlaib*.

JOINT CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)

Reps. Kowall (C), Goike (VC), Genetski, Potvin, Pscholka, *Jackson (M-VC)*, *McCann*.

JUDICIARY (4)

Reps. Cotter (C), Forlini (VC), Jenkins, *Tlaib (M-VC)*.

MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS (4)

Reps. MacGregor (C), Jenkins (VC), Rogers, *LeBlanc (M-VC)*.

NATURAL RESOURCES (4)

Reps. Bumstead (C), Kowall (VC), Pscholka, *Lindberg (M-VC)*.

SCHOOL AID (6)

Reps. Rogers (C), Poleski (VC), Bumstead, Potvin, *Lipton (M-VC)*, *Ananich*.

STATE POLICE (4)

Reps. MacGregor (C), Jenkins (VC), Rogers, *LeBlanc (M-VC)*.

SUPPLEMENTALS (3)

Reps. Moss (C), Cotter (VC), *LeBlanc (M-VC)*.

TRANSPORTATION (6)

Reps. Agema (C), Goike (VC), Jenkins, Potvin, *Dillon (M-VC)*, *LeBlanc*.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SCHEDULE OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Doug Simon, Committee Room Supervisor, (517) 373-0015

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON	CLERK	DAY	TIME	LOCATION*
Agriculture	Rep. Daley	Cath Petroskey - 373-8538	Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	307
Appropriations	Rep. Moss	Ben Williams - 373-1988	Call of the Chair	9:00 a.m.	352 Capitol
Banking and Financial Services	Rep. Knollenberg	Malika Abdul-Basir - 373-7256			
Commerce	Rep. Wayne Schmidt	Malika Abdul-Basir - 373-7256	Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	519
Education	Rep. Scott	Ben Cook - 373-2002	Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	519
Energy and Technology	Rep. Horn	Cath Petroskey - 373-8538	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	519
Families, Children, and Seniors	Rep. Kurtz	Patricia Tremblay - 373-5795	Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	327
Government Operations	Rep. Stamas	Ben Cook - 373-2002	Wednesday	12:00 noon	327
Health Policy	Rep. Haines	Malika Abdul-Basir - 373-7256	Thursday	9:00 a.m.	519
Insurance	Rep. Lund	Cath Petroskey - 373-8538	Thursday	10:30 a.m.	519
Judiciary	Rep. Walsh	Patricia Tremblay - 373-5795	Thursday	10:30 a.m.	521
Local, Intergovernmental, and Regional Affairs	Rep. Ouimet	Mary Lou Terrien - 373-1260	Thursday	9:00 a.m.	307
Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security	Rep. Damrow	Ben Cook - 373-2002	Tuesday	12:00 noon	308
Natural Resources, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation	Rep. Foster	Dave Mead - 373-2013	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	307
Oversight, Reform, and Ethics	Rep. McMillin	Dave Mead - 373-2013	Tuesday	12:00 noon	326
Redistricting and Elections	Rep. Lund	Mary Lou Terrien - 373-1260	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	521
Regulatory Reform	Rep. Crawford	Patricia Tremblay - 373-5795	Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	521
Tax Policy	Rep. Gilbert	Dave Mead - 373-2013	Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	519
Transportation	Rep. Opsommer	Mary Lou Terrien - 373-1260	Wednesday	12:00 noon	307

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

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AGRICULTURE (5)

Senators Hune (C), Booher (VC), Emmons, Hansen, *Gleason (M-VC)*.

APPROPRIATIONS (16)

Senators Kahn (C), Moolenaar (VC), Jansen, Pappageorge, Booher, Caswell, Colbeck, Green, Proos, Schuitmaker, Walker, *Anderson (M-VC)*, *Gregory*, *Hood*, *Hopgood*, *Johnson*.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (7)

Senators Booher (C), Nofs (VC), Green, Marleau, Rocca, *Hunter (M-VC)*, *Smith*.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (7)

Senators Kowall (C), Hildenbrand (VC), Nofs, Emmons, Hansen, *Hunter (M-VC)*, *Smith*.

EDUCATION (5)

Senators Pavlov (C), Emmons (VC), Colbeck, *Hopgood (M-VC)*, *Young*.

ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY (9)

Senators Nofs (C), Proos (VC), Jones, Marleau, Schuitmaker, Walker, *Hopgood (M-VC)*, *Bieda*, *Young*.

FAMILIES, SENIORS AND HUMAN SERVICES (4)

Senators Emmons (C), Rocca (VC), Nofs, *Gregory (M-VC)*.

FINANCE (7)

Senators Brandenburg (C), Jansen (VC), Pappageorge, Proos, Robertson, *Bieda (M-VC)*, *Warren*.

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS (5)

Senators Richardville (C), Hildenbrand (VC), Meekhof, *Whitmer (M-VC)*, *Hunter*.

HEALTH POLICY (8)

Senators Marleau (C), Robertson (VC), Emmons, Hune, Jones, Schuitmaker, *Warren (M-VC)*, *Gleason*.

INSURANCE (7)

Senators Hune (C), Marleau (VC), Brandenburg, Hansen, Robertson, *Smith (M-VC)*, *Bieda*.

JUDICIARY (4)

Senators Jones (C), Schuitmaker (VC), Rocca, *Bieda (M-VC)*.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (4)

Senators Robertson (C), Hansen (VC), Brandenburg, *Young (M-VC)*.

NATURAL RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENT AND GREAT LAKES (7)

Senators Casperson (C), Pavlov (VC), Green, Kowall, Meekhof, *Warren (M-VC)*, *Hood*.

OUTDOOR RECREATION AND TOURISM (7)

Senators Hansen (C), Hildenbrand (VC), Brandenburg, Casperson, Moolenaar, *Gleason (M-VC)*, *Young*.

REDISTRICTING (9)

Senators Hune (C), Jones (VC), Hildenbrand, Marleau, Moolenaar, Proos, *Bieda (M-VC)*, *Johnson*, *Smith*.

REFORMS, RESTRUCTURING AND REINVENTING (7)

Senators Jansen (C), Colbeck (VC), Casperson, Kowall, Robertson, *Young (M-VC)*, *Warren*.

REGULATORY REFORM (7)

Senators Rocca (C), Jones (VC), Hune, Meekhof, Pavlov, *Johnson (M-VC)*, *Warren*.

TRANSPORTATION (6)

Senators Casperson (C), Kowall (VC), Brandenburg, Pavlov, *Gleason (M-VC)*, *Hood*.

VETERANS, MILITARY AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY (5)

Senators Moolenaar (C), Pappageorge (VC), Emmons, *Gregory (M-VC)*, *Smith*.

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEES

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AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (3)

Senators Green (C), Moolenaar (VC), *Hopgood (M-VC)*.

CAPITAL OUTLAY (7)

Senators Booher (C), Schuitmaker (VC), Jansen, Green, Moolenaar, *Hood (M-VC)*, *Anderson*.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES (3)

Senators Booher (C), Schuitmaker (VC), *Anderson (M-VC)*.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH (4)

Senators Moolenaar (C), Caswell (VC), Booher, *Gregory (M-VC)*.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (3)

Senators Proos (C), Walker (VC), *Anderson (M-VC)*.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC GROWTH (3)

Senators Jansen (C), Proos (VC), *Johnson (M-VC)*.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (4)

Senators Green (C), Walker (VC), Booher, *Hopgood (M-VC)*.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (4)

Senators Caswell (C), Jansen (VC), Proos, *Gregory (M-VC)*.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (4)

Senators Green (C), Walker (VC), Booher, *Hopgood (M-VC)*.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT (4)

Senators Pappageorge (C), Jansen (VC), Colbeck, *Johnson (M-VC)*.

HIGHER EDUCATION (3)

Senators Schuitmaker (C), Walker (VC), *Hood (M-VC)*.

JUDICIARY (3)

Senators Proos (C), Schuitmaker (VC), *Johnson (M-VC)*.

K-12, SCHOOL AID, EDUCATION (4)

Senators Walker (C), Caswell (VC), Pappageorge, *Hopgood (M-VC)*.

RETIREMENT (4)

Senators Jansen (C), Caswell (VC), Colbeck, *Hood (M-VC)*.

STATE POLICE AND MILITARY AFFAIRS (3)

Senators Colbeck (C), Pappageorge (VC), *Gregory (M-VC)*.

TRANSPORTATION (3)

Senators Pappageorge (C), Colbeck (VC), *Anderson (M-VC)*.

SENATE

SCHEDULE OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON	CLERK	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
Agriculture	Senator Hune	Traci Gorman - 373-5312	Thursday	8:30 a.m.	110 Farnum
Appropriations	Senator Kahn	Holly Fountain- 373-1760	Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	Senate Appropriations Room, Capitol
Banking and Financial Institutions	Senator Booher	Holly Nester - 373-5324	Thursday	1:30 p.m.	100 Farnum
Economic Development	Senator Kowall	Traci Gorman - 373-5312	Wednesday	1:30 p.m.	110 Farnum
Education	Senator Pavlov	Leta Howard - 373-5314	Wednesday	12:30 p.m.	100 Farnum
Energy and Technology	Senator Nofs	Scott Jones - 373-5307	Tuesday	1:00 p.m.	Senate Hearing Room, Boji
Families, Seniors and Human Services	Senator Emmons	Traci Gorman - 373-5312	Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	210 Farnum
Finance	Senator Brandenburg	Scott Jones - 373-5307	Wednesday	12:30 p.m.	210 Farnum
Government Operations	Senator Richardville	Teri Ambs - 373-3543	Tuesday	1:00 p.m.	402/403 Capitol
Health Policy	Senator Marleau	Leta Howard - 373-5314	Thursday	2:30 p.m.	Senate Hearing Room, Boji
Insurance	Senator Hune	Holly Nester - 373-5324	Tuesday	2:30 p.m.	100 Farnum
Judiciary	Senator Jones	Lauren Michalak - 373-5323	Tuesday	2:30 p.m.	110 Farnum
Local Government and Elections	Senator Robertson	Lauren Michalak - 373-5323	Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	100 Farnum
Natural Resources, Environment and Great Lakes	Senator Casperson	Lauren Michalak - 373-5323	Thursday	8:30 a.m.	210 Farnum
Outdoor Recreation and Tourism	Senator Hansen	Lauren Michalak - 373-5323	Thursday	12:30 p.m.	210 Farnum
Redistricting	Senator Hune	Scott Jones - 373-5307	Wednesday	3:00 p.m.	Senate Hearing Room, Boji
Reforms, Restructuring and Reinventing	Senator Jansen	Holly Nester - 373-5324	Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	402/403 Capitol
Regulatory Reform	Senator Rocca	Scott Jones - 373-5307	Thursday	12:30 p.m.	110 Farnum
Transportation	Senator Casperson	Leta Howard - 373-5314	Tuesday	12:30 p.m.	100 Farnum
Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland Security	Senator Moolenaar	Traci Gorman - 373-5312	Tuesday	12:30 p.m.	210 Farnum

JOINT SENATE AND HOUSE COMMITTEES

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ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (10)

Senators Pappageorge (C), Meekhof, Marleau, *Hunter, Johnson.*

Representatives Olson (C), Rendon (VC), Horn, *Constan (M-VC), Byrum.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (12 plus 6 Alternates)

Senators Richardville (C), Rocca, Schuitmaker, Jansen, *Whitmer, Hunter.*

Alternates: Senators Hildenbrand, Moolenaar, *Bieda.*

Representatives Bolger (C), Stamas (VC), Walsh, Moss, *Meadows (M-VC), Oakes.*

Alternates: Representatives McMillin, Farrington, *Lipton.*

LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES (4)

Senators Robertson, *Bieda.*

Representatives not appointed at time of printing.

MICHIGAN CAPITOL COMMITTEE (8)

Senators Richardville (C), Hildenbrand, Meekhof, *Bieda.*

Representatives Wayne Schmidt (C), Stamas (VC), Hughes, *Bauer (M-VC).*

MICHIGAN COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS (4)

Senators not appointed at time of printing.

Representatives Cotter, *Lipton.*

MICHIGAN LAW REVISION COMMISSION (4)

Senators Schuitmaker, *Gregory.*

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FISCAL AGENCY GOVERNING BOARDS

HOUSE FISCAL AGENCY GOVERNING BOARD (6)

Representatives Moss (C), Bolger (VC), Stamas, *LeBlanc (M-VC), Hammel, Segal.*

SENATE FISCAL AGENCY BOARD OF GOVERNORS (5)

Senators Kahn (C), Richardville, Caswell, *Whitmer, Anderson.*



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The Michigan Relay Center enables persons with deaf, hard-of-hearing, or speech impairment disabilities to communicate with virtually anyone within the state. Hearing persons or non-TTY users can also use the Center to communicate with a TTY user. Your communication will be relayed by the Center to the TTY user. The Michigan Relay Center telephone number is (800) 649-3777 (Voice and TTY).

Calling Legislators and Legislative Agencies

Individuals who use a TTY to communicate can contact legislators and legislative agencies in two ways:

- Call the Michigan Relay Center at (800) 649-3777. The Center will relay your message to the legislator or legislative agency office.
- Call the legislative TTY line at (517) 373-0543. Upon receipt, your message will be acknowledged and forwarded to the addressed legislator or legislative agency.

Emergency Procedures

The Capitol is generally a very safe place to be in the case of an emergency. Nonetheless, as part of the Capitol's restoration, modern life safety systems were installed. The building is completely equipped with fire sprinklers, and over 5,000 sensors monitor air ducts, motors, and sprinkler lines. The system is designed to notify emergency personnel immediately so they can react swiftly. At the same time, alarms were installed to alert the Capitol's visitors and staff to an emergency situation. These alarms feature both auditory (a voiced alarm) and visual (flashing lights) components. The building also has two interior, enclosed fire stairs located right off the rotunda in the east and west wings. The first and ground floors each have four exterior exits.

If an alarm is activated, exit by the closest, safest stairs. **DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS.** The fire stairs are pressurized to keep smoke and fire out. Wheelchair users and other persons with mobility disabilities should proceed to the landings in the fire stairs, where they will be assisted by emergency personnel, if necessary.

Sergeants-At-Arms of the Senate and House, along with building staff, have been assigned sections of the Capitol, and will go through the building to ensure that everyone is aware of the emergency and has either vacated the building or gone to the tornado shelter or fire stair landings, depending on the situation.

Tours of the Capitol

If you have a disability which might interfere with your enjoyment of the tour, please advise your Tour Guide right away. The Capitol Tour Guide Service has a number of ways to adapt the tour to your needs.

For persons with hearing disability:

- A printed version of the tour script is available.
- In addition, those who read lips should notify their Tour Guide at the start of the tour. Every effort will be made to make sure that the Tour Guide is positioned to make lip reading easier.
- The Capitol Tour Guide Service will provide a sign language interpreter for scheduled hard-of-hearing or deaf tour groups with at least two weeks prior notification.

For persons with visual disability:

- A large-print version of the tour script is available.
- A Braille version of the tour script is available.

For persons with mobility disability:

- An elevator is available for wheelchair users or individuals who cannot climb or descend stairs during the tour.
- Individuals who find it difficult to walk or stand for long periods or have other mobility impairments should notify their Tour Guide so most of the tour information is given while the group is seated in the Orientation Room, the Senate and House galleries, and the Appropriations Rooms.

Booking Tours for Persons With Disabilities

Tours for groups of ten or more can be booked through the Capitol Tour Guide Service office. If any members of your group are persons with disabilities, advise the Tour Guide Service office at the time you book the tour. Tours can and most often are booked 1 year in advance through:

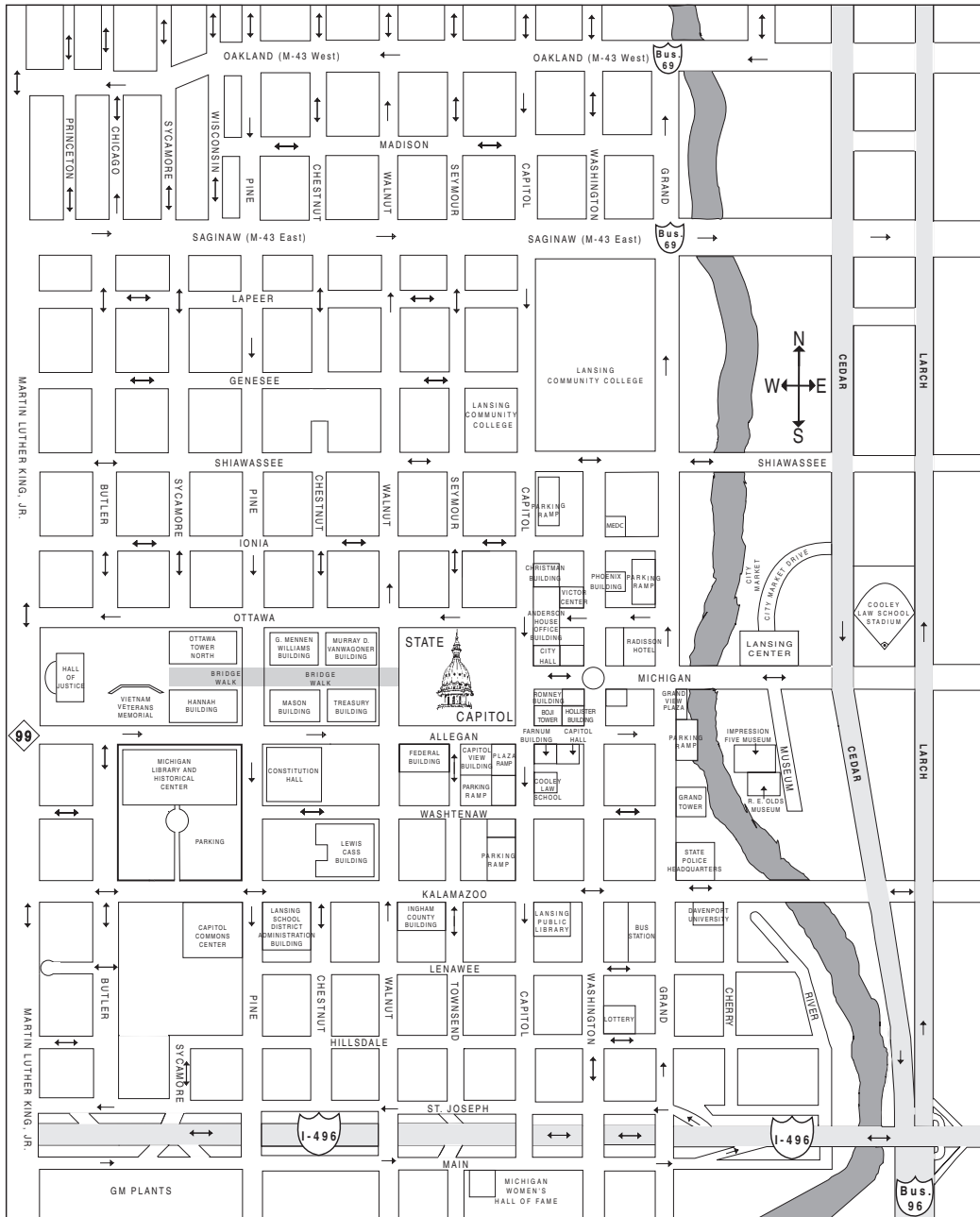
Capitol Tour Guide Service
Capitol Building
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7514
(517) 373-2353 Voice
(517) 373-0543 TDD/TTY

Large Groups

As the seat of state government, the Capitol is the place citizens come to redress their grievances, demonstrate, and conduct rallies. Periodically, large groups of persons with disabilities visit the Capitol. The staff will do everything it can to accommodate such groups. If you are planning an event for a large number of persons with disabilities, we would strongly encourage you to confer with the Capitol staff early in your planning so any necessary arrangements can be made to transport participants to the Capitol, move people through the building, etc. Planning is always the key to a successful event and good planning ensures that all can participate. Contact:

Steve Benkovsky, Executive Director
Michigan Capitol Committee
Legislative Council Facility Agency
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7514
(517) 373-1972

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